

Title of Session: The Big6
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BJ: while we wait for Ferdi...

SusanR: why don't we take a peek at the site

BJ: you might want to detach the chat window first

BJ: by clicking on the Actions drop down menu in the upper right of this chat window...

BJ: and scrolling down to DETACH

BJ: Sue, you want to show the url for the big6?

SusanR: here it is An Introduction: Big6

SusanR: <http://www.big6.com/showcategory.php?cid=6>

BJ: click on the blue hyperlink to open a new window

MariaV: is there anything specific I should look at?

BJ: Maria, are you familiar with the Big6?

MariaV: no, sorry

BJ: the page Sue showed gives you a basic overview of what it does

LanT: I'm not either.

SusanR: 6 basic steps for problem solving which students can use to attack any given problem

SusanR: or 3 steps for K to 2 students

SusanR: This page gives you the overview <http://www.big6.com/showarticle.php?id=16>

SusanR: Note the Blue Tab (6 Skills)

MariaV: ok, how does this relate to 'no child left behind', I thought that was the topic of discussion tonight.

MariaV: am I jumping the gun?

LanT: Are these steps to assist the child so that he/she does not fall behind?

SusanR: We are waiting for Ferdi's arrival to relate the Big6 model to "No Child Left Behind"

SusanR: Yes, Lan

LanT: Gotch ya!

SusanR: <http://oii.org/> this is Ferdi's Book

SusanR: Click on the red image, please.

SusanR: Would you like to see some sample lesson plans using the BIG 6 method

LanT: Yes, please.

MariaV: me too

SusanR: one moment please

SusanR: here they are <http://www.big6.com/showcategory.php?cid=19>

SusanR: Click on the grade level you are interested in

SusanR: We are looking at some sample lesson plans implementing the BIG6 approach, Bj

SusanR: <http://www.big6.com/showcategory.php?cid=19>

LanT: Is the Big6 the latest lesson format that teachers are using?

MariaV: I can't say that I've ever heard of it, but I'm interested in learning more about it.

SusanR: If you are teaching any type problem solving I would use this approach.

LanT: So do I. It seems easier to use than the 5Es or Madeline Hunter.

SusanR: Here is the article relating to No Child Left Behind and The Big6 Approach. You may want to bookmark it and read it offline

<http://www.infotoday.com/MMSchools/sep02/Serim.htm>

MariaV: I'm a high school math teacher, we do a lot of problem solving, this seems a little time consuming

MariaV: do you address the 6 steps every time you have to solve a problem?

SusanR: These handouts might prove helpful.

MariaV: or just until the students get the idea and address the 6 steps internally?

SusanR: You can reduce it to the SUPER 3 if you wish

SusanR: <http://www.big6.com/showarticle.php?id=315>

LanT: I like the Big6 because you can modify it to the appropriate grade level.

BJ: there is an archived big6 transcript at www.tappedin.org/transcripts

BJ: One of the purposes of the 6 steps is to empower the child to problem solve on all levels across disciplines

MariaV: does the archived transcript go into more detail?

BJ: o O (my apologies for Ferdi not being here. He participates in many conferences and sometimes has connectivity issues)

SusanR: At the end of the session BJ and I will show you where you can access previous discussions on the BIG6 method. They are archived for your perusal.

MariaV: ok thanks

LanT: Great!

SusanR: If you are getting started with the BIG6 you may want to take a look at this newsletter.

http://fp3e.adhost.com/big6/enewsletter/archives/e2_n4_conf/denniston_sum.shtml

SusanR: All the newsletters are archived. They are worth reading.

SusanR: And this newsletter shows how various schools infuse the Big6 approach into their curriculum http://fp3e.adhost.com/big6/enewsletter/archives/e2_n4_conf/links.shtml

BJ: Our time is about up, Sue.

BJ: the archived transcripts location is www.tappedin.org/transcripts

BJ: Thank you, Lan and Maria, for participating in the discussion.

LanT: Thank you both, Sue and BJ.

SusanR: any questions or comments for Bj and myself.

BJ: Thanks, Sue, for filling in for Ferdi

LanT: No, I think the sites were helpful.

MariaV: thanks Sue and BJ

MariaV: I will continue to look into the BIG 6

BJ: make sure you check the calendar for other events that might be of interest to you!

LanT: I can't wait to share this with my classmates and professors!

MariaV: thanks again

SusanR: and thanks for your assistance, BJ and thank you, Lan and Maria for bearing with us!

MariaV: waves good bye

LanT: No problem...Bye!

