

A novel approach to SDS author training



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Training SDS authors

- We're training more than ever
 - Turn over
 - Retirements
- Training is more complicated
 - Regulations grow more complicated and plentiful
 - Different Industries author requirements
 - SDS authoring software differences
 - New generation of workers
 - Scarcity of experienced authors





How do we train new authors?

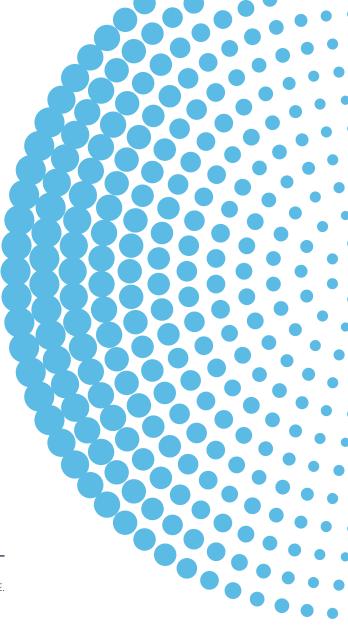
- Various methods
 - "I'm sure you'll figure it out" method
 - "Throw 'em in the deep end" method
 - "10 ways you're wrong" method
- This isn't working
 - Business processes are lost
 - Non-compliant documents are produced
 - Take a ton of the trainer's time
- Poor onboarding leads to poor outcomes
 - Longer to full productivity and efficiency
 - New hires that are dissatisfied with the onboarding process are more likely to leave their employer
 - For remote employees, no connection to the company or the team leads to less employee engagement.



Flipped classroom

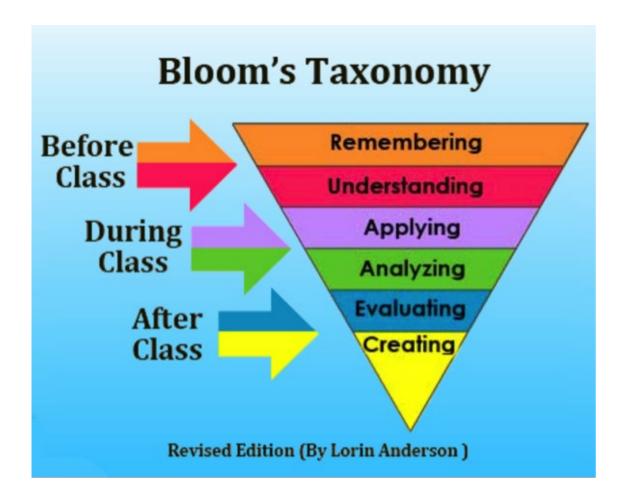
- What is flipped classroom?
 - Flipped Learning is a pedagogical approach in which direct instruction moves from the group learning space to the individual learning space, and the resulting group space is transformed into a dynamic, interactive learning environment where the educator guides students as they apply concepts and engage creatively in the subject matter.
- What does that mean?
 - Before class, students learn information at home, watching videos or reading resources
 - During class, students apply information through activities like group problem solving, simulations and case studies.
 - After class, do an online assessment that is homework or a quiz to assess learning.

https://flippedlearning.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/07/FLIP_handout_FNL_Web.pdf





How does this pedagogy make sense?



Source: https://omerad.msu.edu/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=162:what-why-and-how-to-implement-a-flipped-classroom-model&catid=27:teaching



What are the outcomes?

- Test scores
 - A students are still A students
 - Most F students are still F students
 - But B, C, D, and some F students do much better
- Student outcomes
 - At first students need convincing
 - Higher satisfaction at conclusion of course
 - Higher level of self-regulation and social connectedness
- Student outcomes are dependent on...
 - Quality of pre-class instruction
 - Instructor's ability to facilitate discussion/ problem solving session
 - Time management for students
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How do we apply this to training SDS Authors?

- Training challenges
 - Took a bunch of trainer's time.
 - New employees don't remember what you've taught them.
 - New employees lose confidence.
 - New employees aren't engaged.
- Let's try a flipped classroom
 - Create online learnings for new authors
 - Meet daily to do activities



Create the online learnings

- Short duration
 - No longer than 10 minutes to complete or watch.
 - Better to have many short sessions than one long one.
- Engaging
 - Think "am I bored watching this?", then they're bored.
 - Changing things often, think tik tok
- Variety
 - Recorded meetings
 - Videos
 - Online learning platforms





Use digital platforms to create learning modules

- Learning management system
 - Absorb
 - Cornerstone
 - 360 Learning
 - HR systems
- If you don't have it...
 - Confluence
 - SharePoint
 - Drive

- Content creation
 - Scribe
 - Synthesia
 - Camtasia
 - Easy Generator
 - Adobe
 - YouTube

Not an endorsement of any of these programs.



Meetings

- Meetings must be planned
 - Have a topic or exercise you'd like to do
 - Have more than you need.
 - If you do exercise, be patient
 - Be ready to punt, if they need extra help.
- Example meeting
 - Answer any questions at the beginning of every meetings
 - Each author creates a document each sharing screen
 - Each is assigned a document to make specific changes

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Outcomes

- Authors are more proficient faster.
 - The training takes a little longer but they are further along faster
- Training references
- The new employees feel supported and engaged.
 - Feedback is "extremely satisfied" with their training



Ok but...

- Establish goals for the training
 - · People benefit from knowing where they're going
- Don't give data dump
 - Too much information too quickly
 - People have to be ready to hear you
- Keep the support going
 - Go beyond the first few weeks and check in
- Stay consistent
 - Even if you don't have a formal training program make a list of topics you need to onboard people on

