

Pandemic Pedagogy: Panic and Panacea

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Since Spring 2020: ERTL, a Hybrid Learning and Teaching Journey

Changes: emergency remote synchronous instruction for 2020 and 2021

Infrastructure (national, institutional, personal) tested: resilient and robust systems?

Need for Inclusion and Equity foregrounded (Universal Design for Learning)

Tech Rules:

New media for remote synchronous instruction;
Conferencing apps turned into educational tools;

Panic and Panacea:
know your medium, your message, your limits, your audience

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Panic (even Panic-ogy) in synchronous instruction

Content vs skills

Knowledge acquisition
vs development of
student skills

Extra educational
material had to be
created
(new slides;
audio/video material)

To record meetings
or
not to record?

Timed assessments:
remote proctoring
challenges;

Oral Presentations:
from three dimensions
to screen time;

Camera action and
inaction



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Student participation is challenging;

Class discussion and mini-exercises (completed in class often in pairs or groups) are vital components of learning:

- such activities had to be reimagined (in asynchronous mode or through use of Chat) to ensure continued practice for students;

New instructional videos replaced remote synchronous instruction to allow more time for activities;

Some timed assessments became open-book assignments.

Panacea or Resilient Teaching

Reprieve from commuting (for some)

Appreciation of TL as an embodied experience

Distance makes the heart grow fonder

(Re)Discovery of innovative teaching approaches

The 'digital natives' are not natives at all

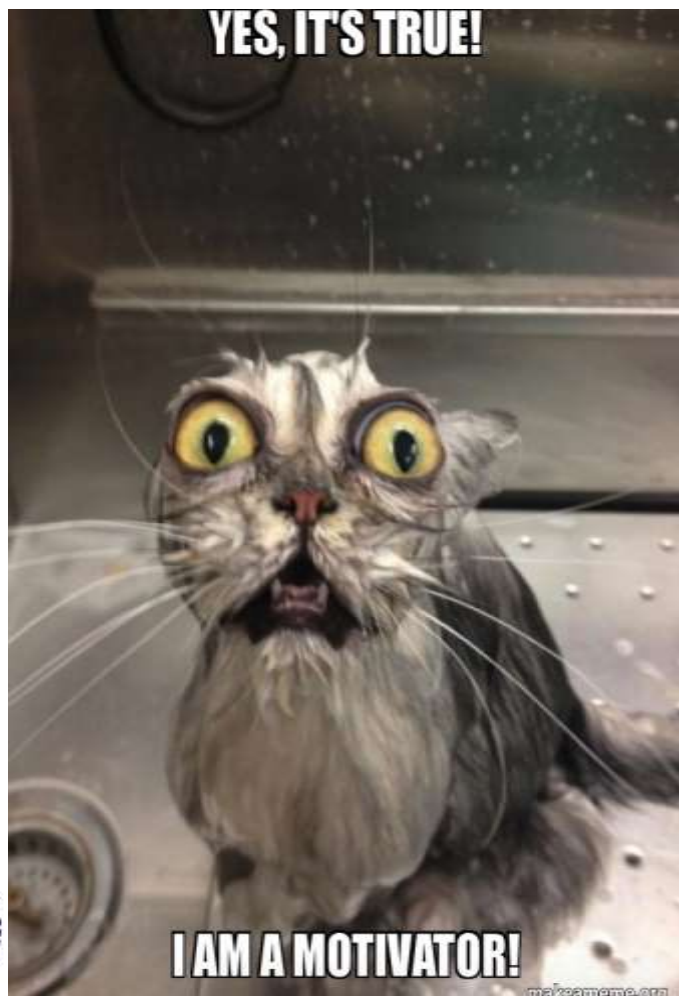
You can teach an old dog new tricks

Technology is worth the investment

Active learning is the only kind of learning



Active learning is the only kind of learning
(before and after the Renee Hobbs
keynote and taking the
Digital Learning Motivation quiz)
<https://www.setyourmotivation.com/>



<https://padlet.com/hobbs/AMICAL2021>

Your
Thoughts
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Thank
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