

Deeply Digital Curriculum

The Changing Landscape of Teaching and Learning

The Classroom (and beyond) Context

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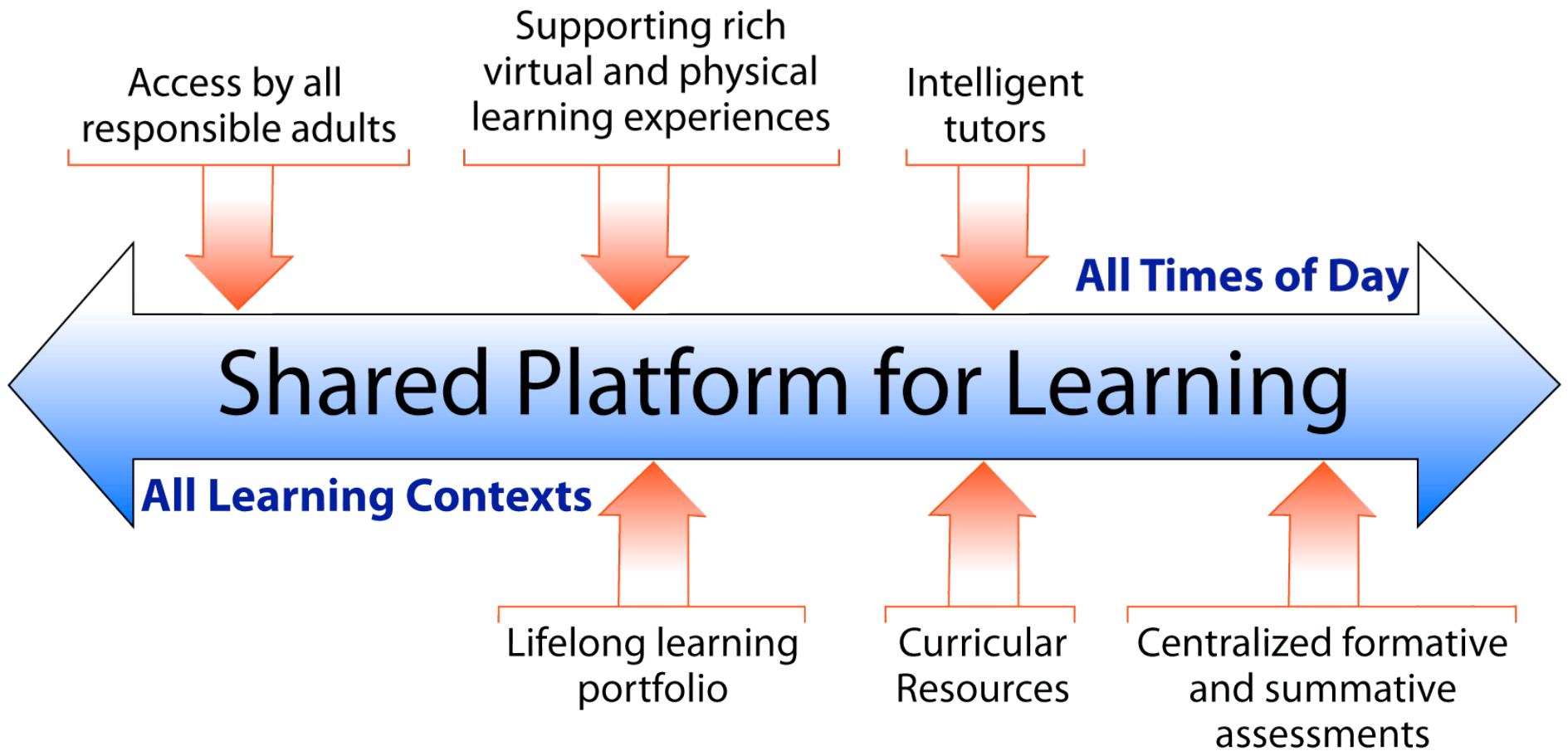


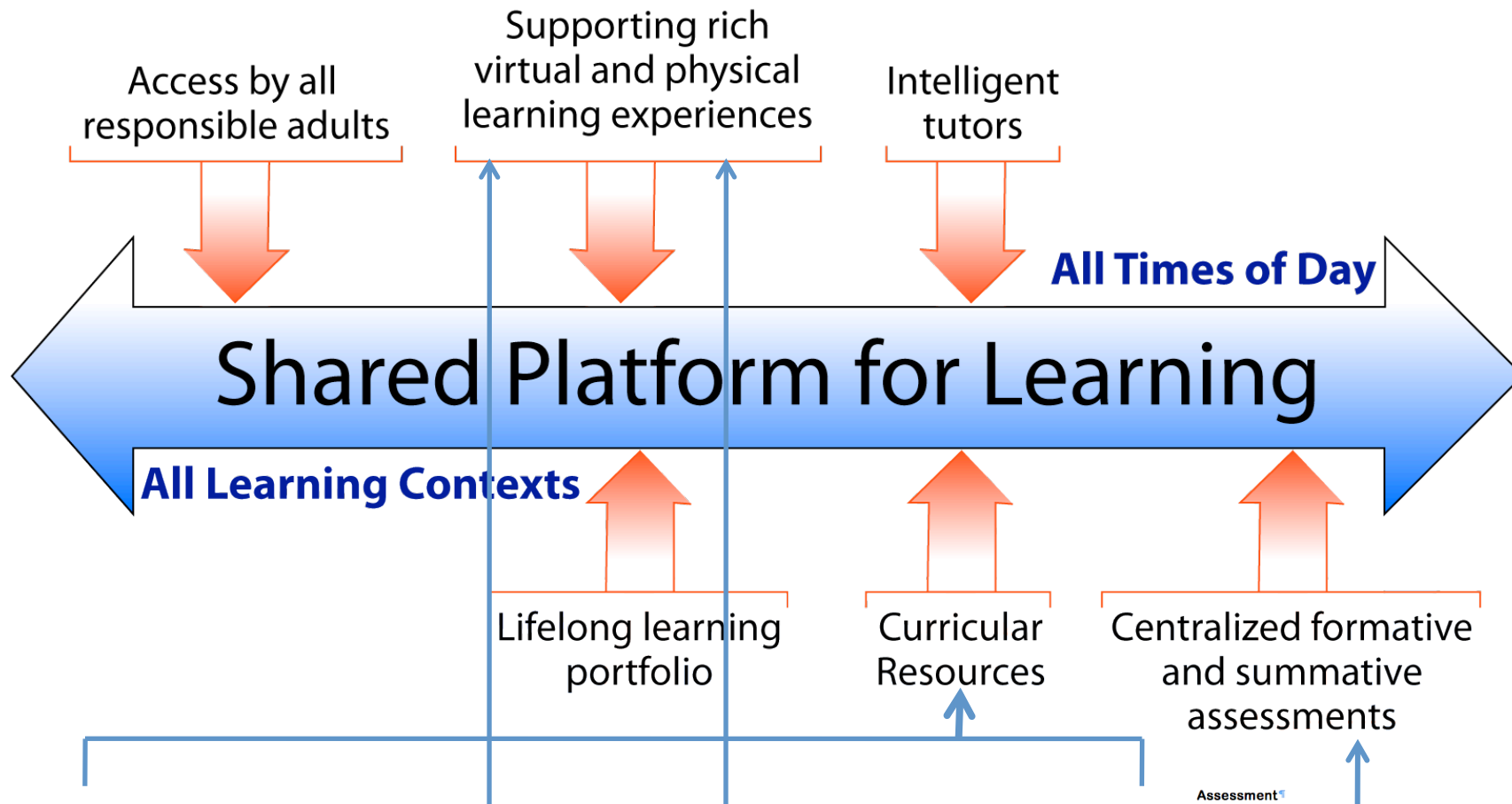
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Guiding Principles

- Learning design, not instructional design
- Creating rich learning experiences
- Bring together tools and resources that support this
- Different roles for teachers; expanded roles for other responsible adults
- 4x4x4 model of learning
- Shared platform for learning





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Translating Information into Action: Information Transfer from DNA to Protein

From the experiments of Griffith, it was clear that DNA was the biomolecule. For many years prior to the determination of DNA's characteristics in families and animals for desirable traits, such as production in cows. Exactly how this information was transferred from DNA to protein was a mystery.

When scientists began to examine the relationship between DNA and protein, they were able to deduce its chemical structure. The relationship between DNA and protein was exactly what was needed to understand the central dogma.

Scientists felt that somehow the information encoded in DNA was being used to produce proteins. However, how could a mere sequence of bases on Earth? In this learning experience, you will first examine the concept of a code, and then investigate the processes that translate the information encoded in DNA into proteins—the active ingredients of the cell.

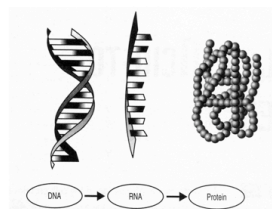


Figure 2.4: The central dogma: Information flows from DNA to RNA to protein.

After Watson and Crick created their model of the structure of DNA, their next big question was how did these four bases encode all the information needed by every organism on Earth? In addition to recognizing that the base-paired model provides a mechanism for DNA to produce an exact copy of itself, Crick also saw the possibility of a code:

Investigate

CHALLENGE: How would you explain to Frederick Griffith how information stored in the genetic material (DNA) results in the trait of a polysaccharide coat on bacteria? A great deal of knowledge about DNA and its relationship to characteristics of organisms was

lost in the 19th century. It was not until the 1940s that scientists began to understand the processes involved in the transfer of genetic information from DNA to RNA to protein.

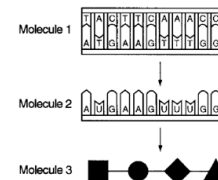
But his now famous experiment provided the first evidence that DNA is the genetic material. When the DNA of a bacterium is mixed with a protein coat, the bacterium will produce a protein coat. This is the process of translation.

Review

- All the information required by organisms to maintain life is encoded in their DNA.
- Information encoded in DNA is translated into proteins. These proteins carry out essential life processes of an organism.
- The information in DNA is carried in a triplet codon sequence. Specific codons code for specific amino acids.
- Different nucleic acids (DNA, mRNA, tRNA) perform different functions in the cell.
- The process of transcription transfers the information encoded in DNA to RNA.
- Translation is the mechanism by which the information carried by mRNA is used to synthesize proteins. In this process, amino acids are linked together to form polypeptides.
- A single change in the DNA sequence can alter the function of a protein.

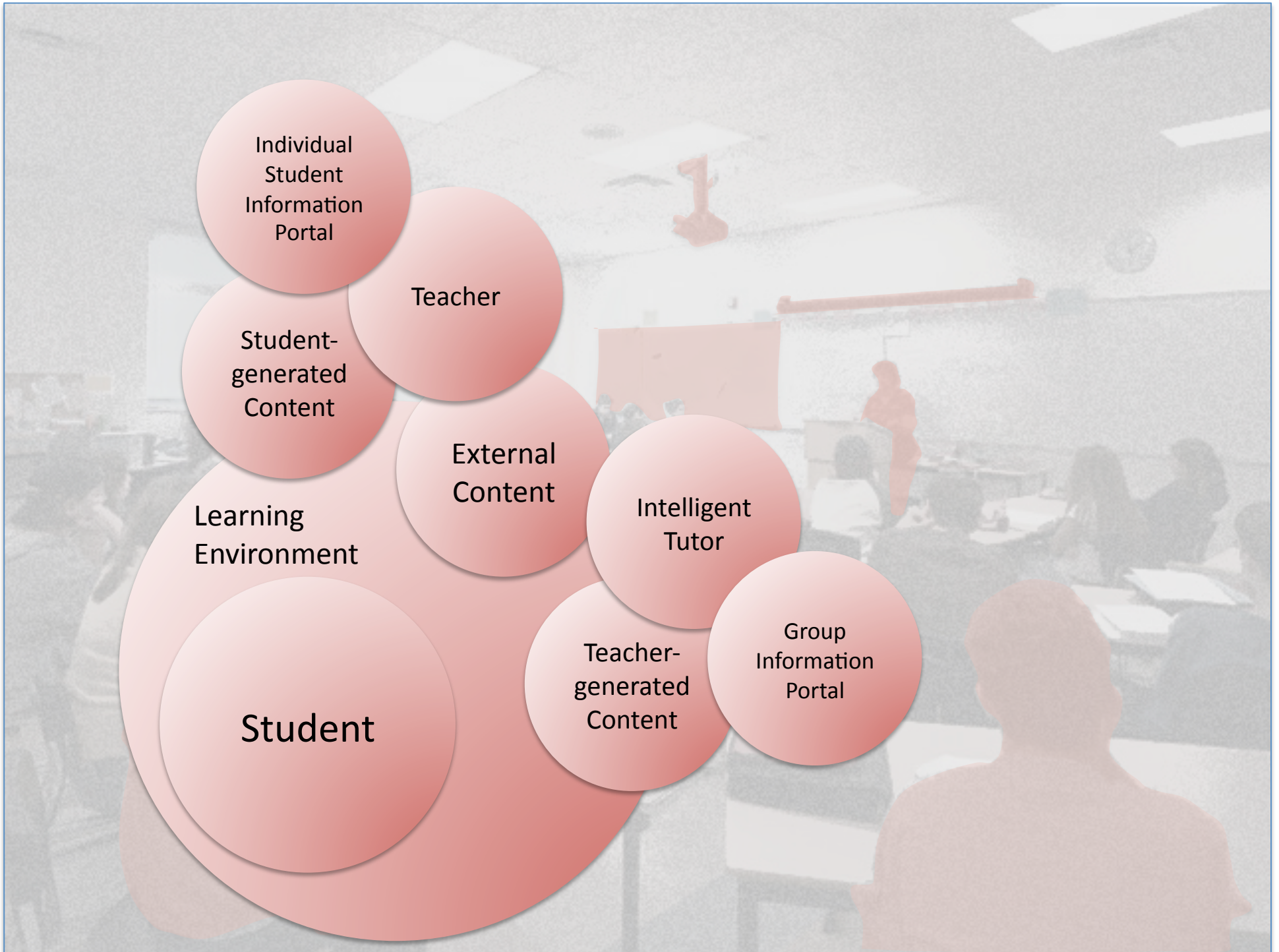
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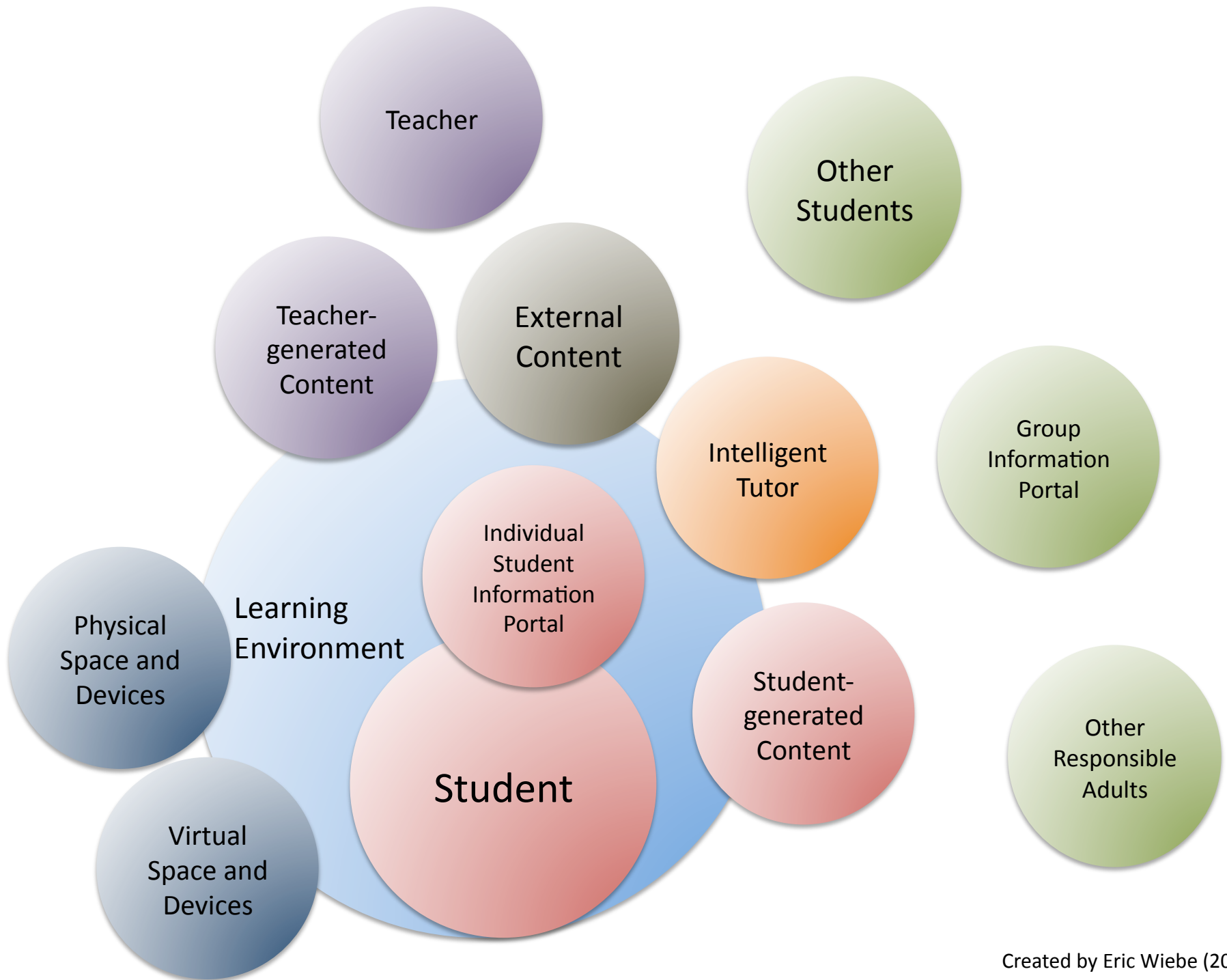
Base your answers to questions 1 through 3 on the diagram below and on your knowledge of biology. The diagram represents molecules involved in protein synthesis.

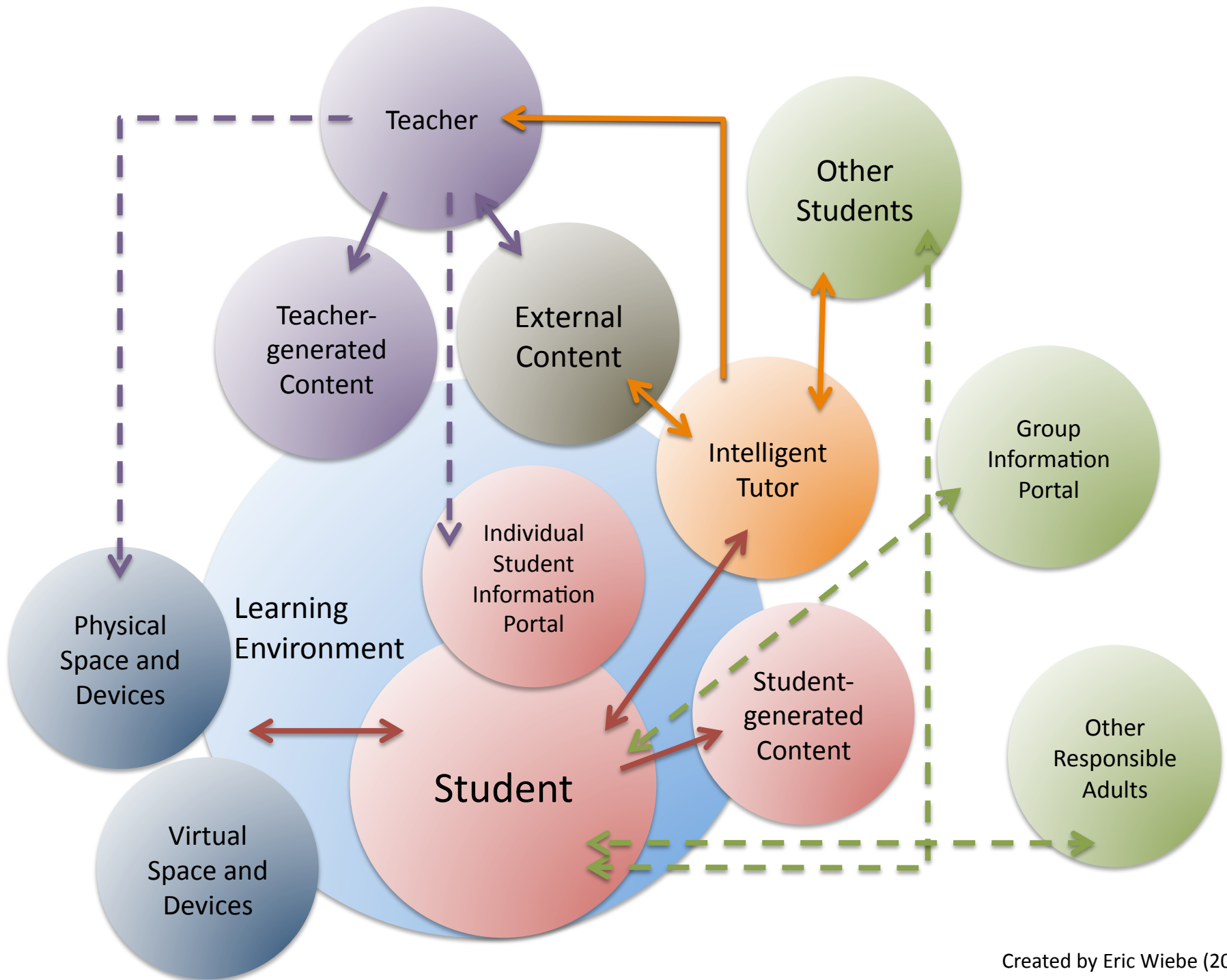


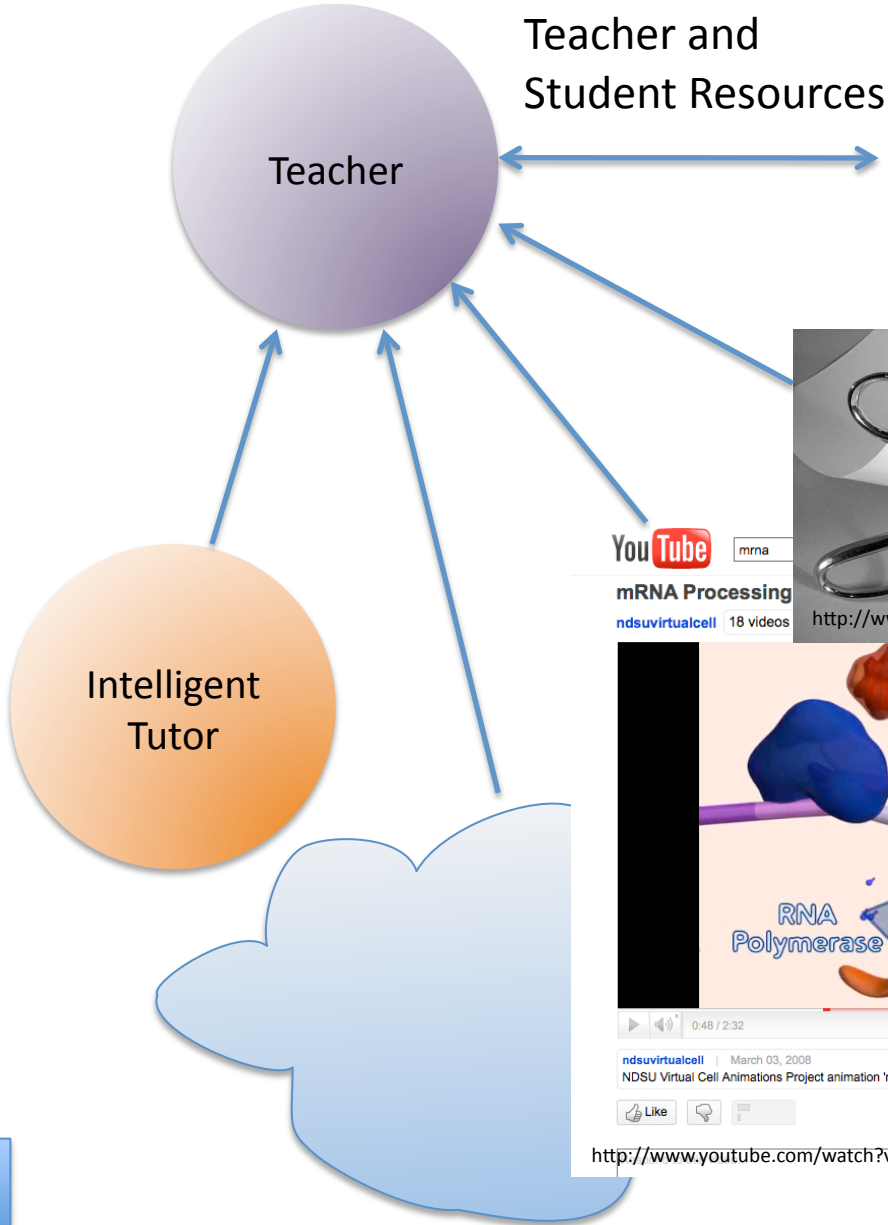
- In plant cells, molecule 1 is found in the
 - centriole
 - nucleus
 - cell wall
 - lysosome
- The building blocks of molecule 3 are known as
 - amino acids
 - DNA molecules
 - fatty acids
 - RNA molecules











ACTIVITY: Passing the Message, Interpreting the Code

Part A: Sending the Message

Once a secret message is encoded, there needs to be a way to send it to the recipient. Shortly after discovering the structure of DNA and proposing the idea of a genetic code, Crick also realized that there needed to be some kind of intermediate molecule of information that carried the information from DNA to the site of protein synthesis. This would be something akin to the letter that Bancroft proposed to send with his DNA message dot.

Crick's rationale for proposing an intermediate was the recognition that eukaryotic cells are compartmentalized. The DNA is stored in the nucleus, but the machinery for making proteins, the ribosomes on the endoplasmic reticulum, is found in the cytoplasm. (You may want to review your understanding of cell structure).

Think About It Using a pencil and a full page of your notebook, draw a picture of the cell indicating the nucleus, the DNA, the cytoplasm, the endoplasmic reticulum, and the ribosomes. Be neat and clear, and leave space for other cellular components. You will be adding to this drawing during the next two activities.

In 1960, Crick's prediction was realized with the discovery of **ribonucleic acid** or RNA. Messenger RNA, called **mRNA**, has a structure similar to DNA with three notable exceptions:

- mRNA is almost always a single strand rather than the double-stranded DNA.
- The RNA backbone, like DNA, is a sugar-phosphate structure, but the sugar in RNA is a **ribose** rather than the deoxyribose of DNA. A ribose contains one extra oxygen, as shown in

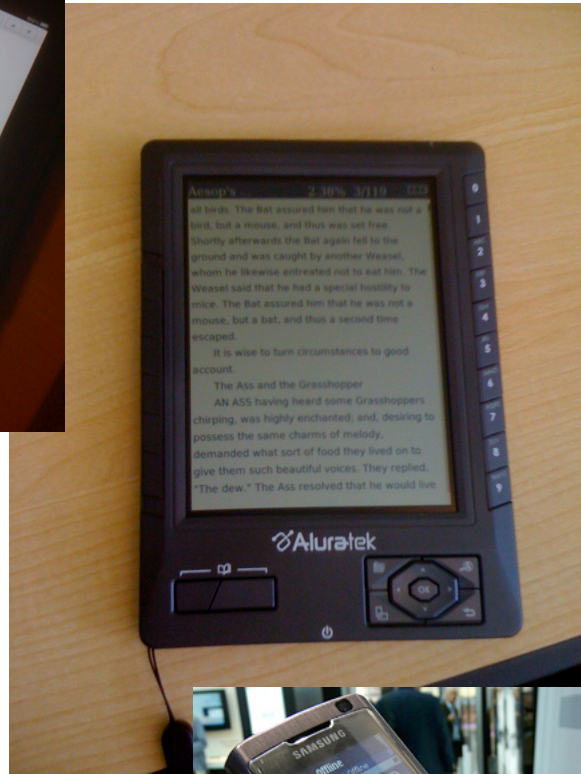
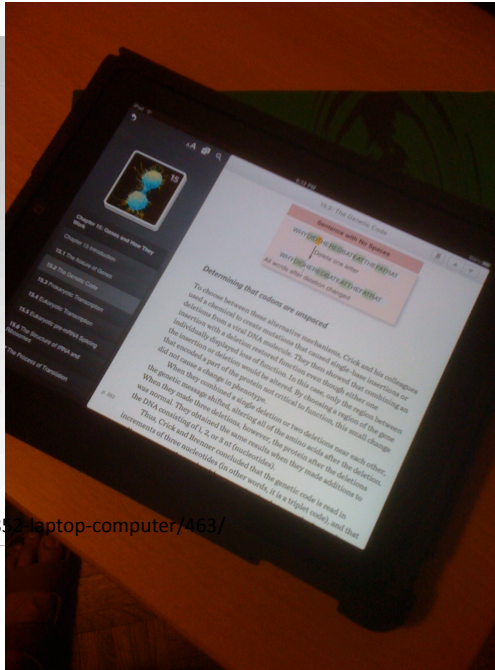
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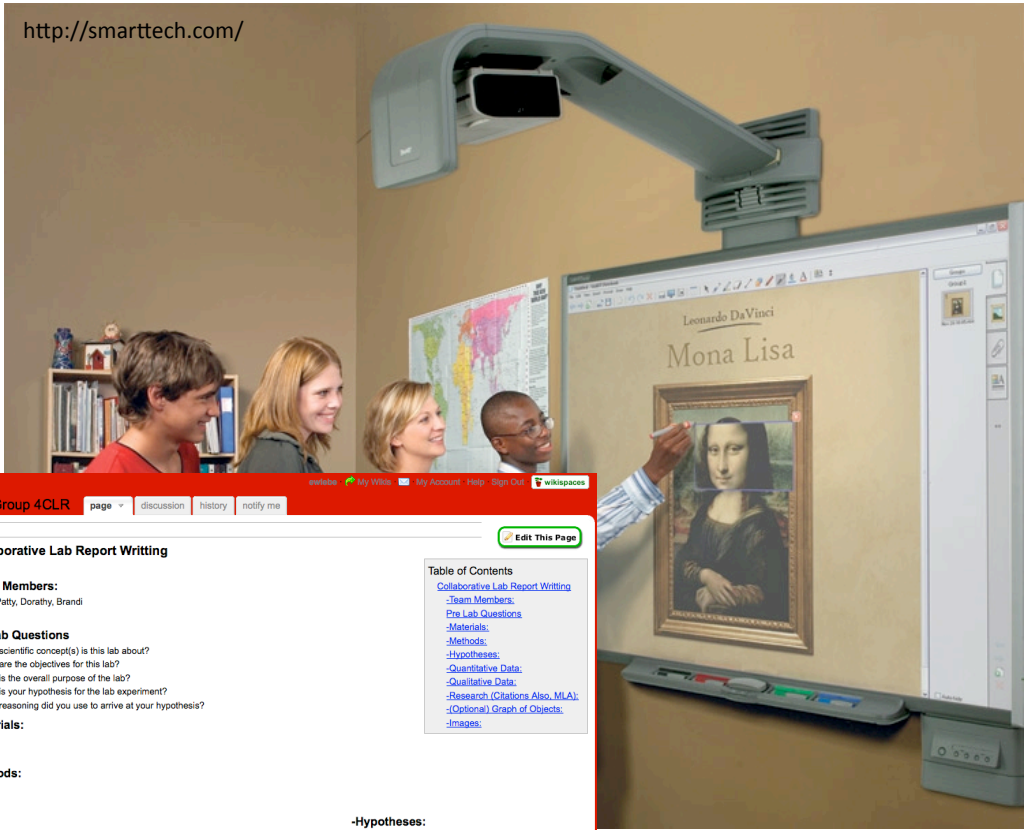
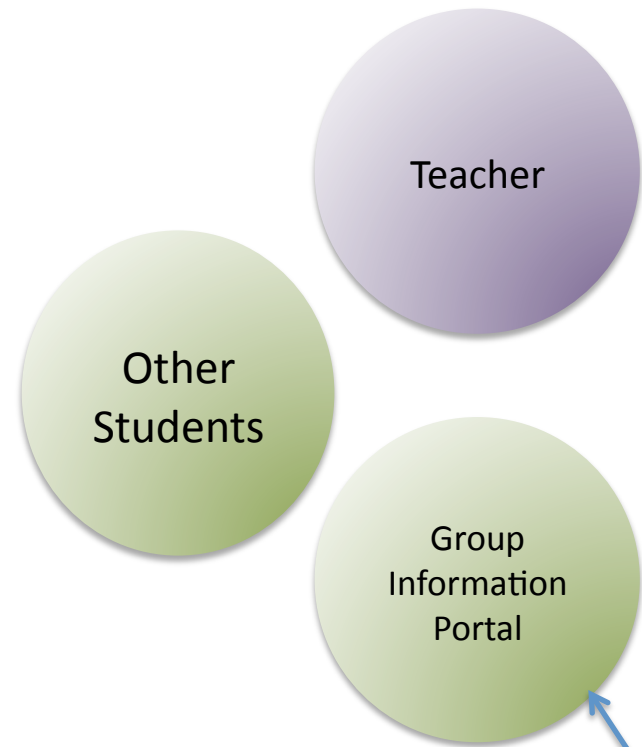
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Collaborative Lab Report Writing

-Team Members:
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Pre Lab Questions

1. What scientific concept(s) is this lab about?
2. What are the objectives for this lab?
3. What is the overall purpose of the lab?
4. What is your hypothesis for the lab experiment?
5. What reasoning did you use to arrive at your hypothesis?

-Materials:

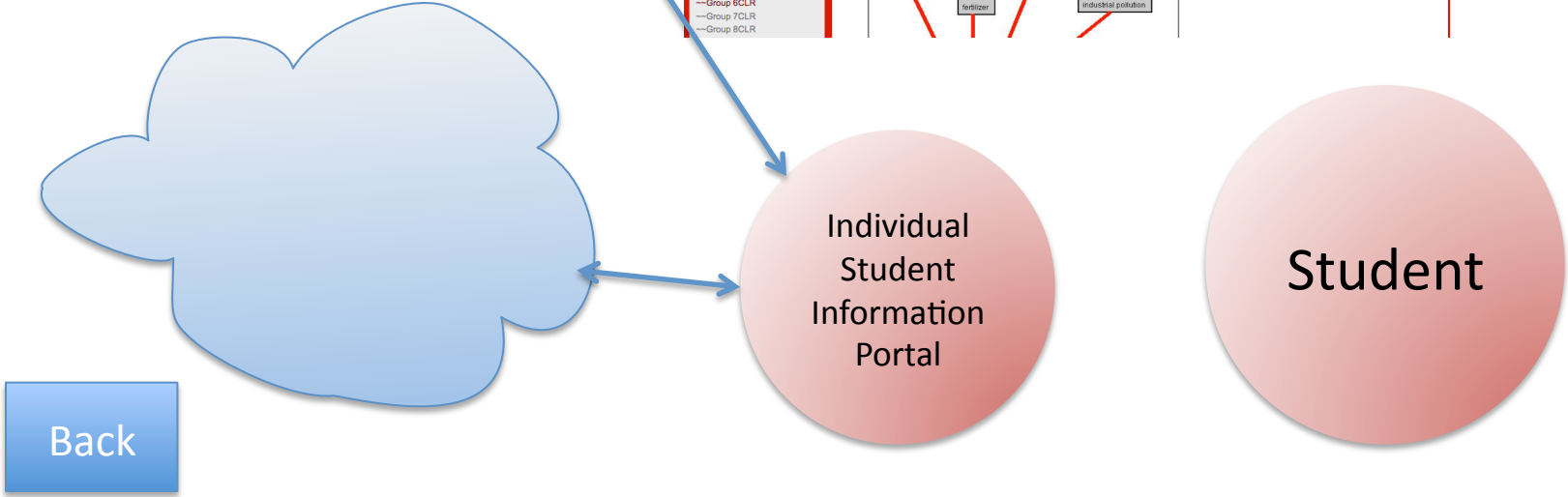
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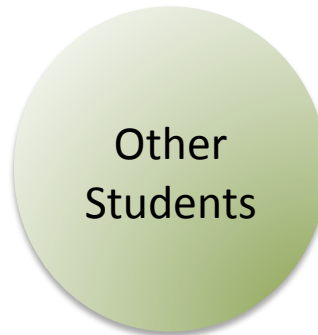
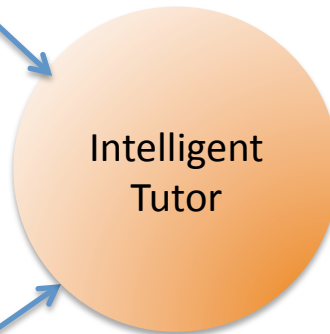
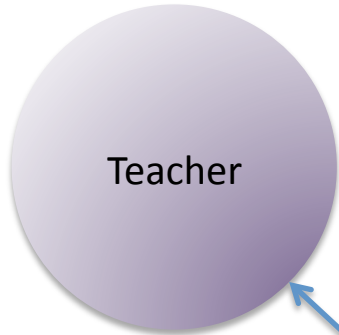
-Hypotheses:

-Quantitative Data:

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WISE Thermodynamics: Probing Your Surroundings

ACTIVITY 3 OF 8 Heat Transfer at the Atomic Level

Why are the temperatures of the cup and table changing?

Look at the atomic-scale model and try to figure out what is happening to the atoms that make up the cup as it gets "colder" and the atoms that make up the table as it gets warmer.

As the cup gets cooler, the atoms in the cup...

As the table warms up, the atoms in the table get...

<http://wise.berkeley.edu/>

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38	1.382	4.716	1.667	3.230
39	1.415	4.827	1.432	3.138
40	1.448	4.926	1.185	2.994
41	1.482	5.025	0.9136	2.829

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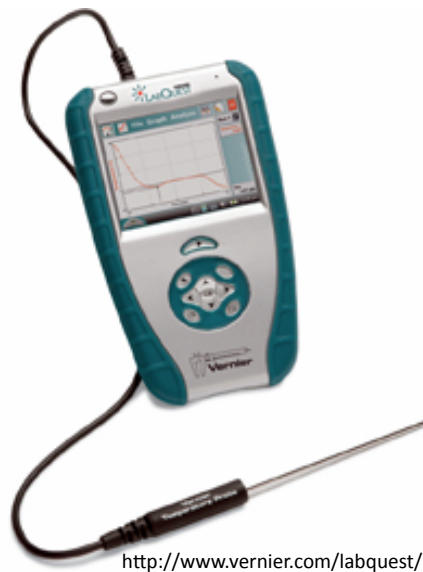
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By RIK FARLIE

Hybrid GPS technology allows users to geo-tag images, even in places where the camera's GPS can't get a signal.

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Summary

- Deeply Digital moves in the next few years will hinge as much on pedagogical as technological strides forward (TPACK)
- Moving traditional print to DD -> doable now but expensive
- Some of the most exciting near-term possibilities are in data mining -> as much policy as technology driven

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