# The Language of UDL: Shifting Mindset

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## **Introducing the Presenters**





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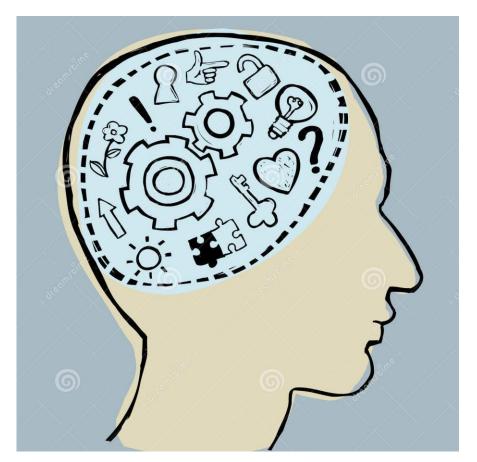






## **Mindset - Essential Question**

How do I become more conscious of my own mindset and help others think about theirs?



## **Session Goals**

**Your Goals** 

<u>Identify</u> a UDL mindset and language

Write down on a post it

<u>Develop</u> language for reframing thinking and conversations

Share in the chat

Tweet #UDLmindset









"Your beliefs become your thoughts, your thoughts become your words, your words become your actions, your actions become your habits, your habits become your values, your values become your destiny."

- Mahatma Gandhi



"Fear is the path to the dark side. Fear leads to anger. Anger leads to hate. Hate leads to suffering."

- Yoda

## **Options for Today**



Options for Perception:

Webinar slides

Website

http://bit.ly/UDLMindsetNY



Options for Action and Expression:

Raise a hand, write in the chat,

Tweet #CASTPL, #udlchat, #UDLMindset

Stand, Sit, Walk, Stretch



Tools Needed for Expert Learning:

Fidgets, Post-its, note taking device.







## **Personal Framing**

Think of a time when someone clearly had a different mindset than you and you seemed to be talking past each other.



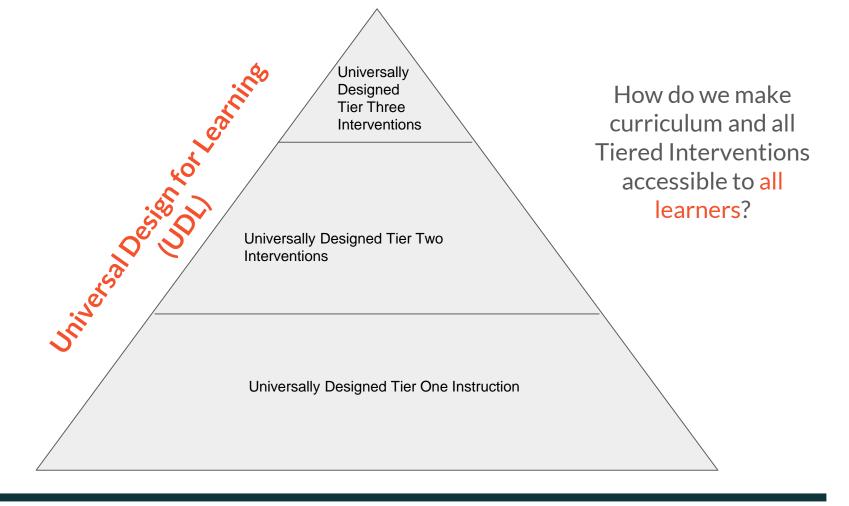
## **Your Goal**

What's your goal related to mindset today?









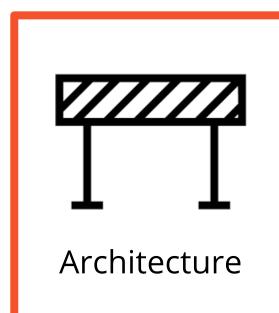






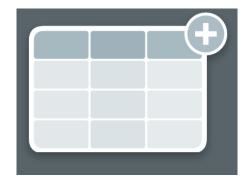


## **Review The UDL Core Concepts**



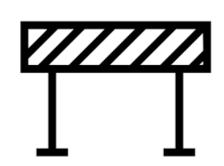






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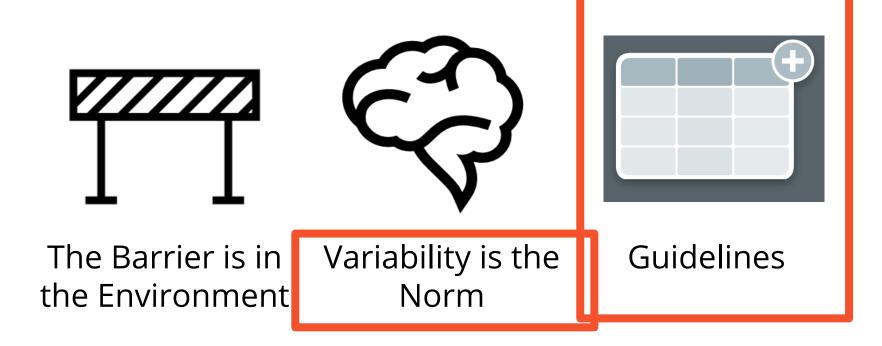


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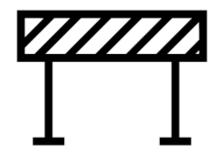


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## **The UDL Core Concepts**



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The Barrier is in the Environment



Variability is the Norm



The Goal is Expert Learning

## **Options for Representation**

- Follow the large projection
- Concept Map
- Resources List
- Slides







## **Options for Action & Expression**

## Share your big ideas, questions, and comments.

- Raise a hand
- Jump in on the chat
- Tweet #NHUDL #UDLmindset

## My Beliefs

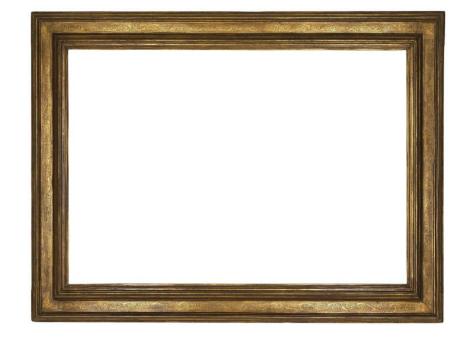
What do you believe about learners?

What is your vision of an effective learner?



## What is a Mindset?

- A short-cut for thinking
- A frame for attention, interpreting, speaking, and acting in the world
- A changeable way of looking at the world









## What is a worldview?

- A way of seeing the world
- Based on your fundamental values
- Slower to change









## **Aspects of Mindset**

- Beliefs assumptions, purpose
- Language
- Habits and practices
- Framing
  - O Attention
  - Interpretation conceptual priming
  - Skill + Sensitivity















## The Language of UDL

Restate the barrier as being in the curriculum not the learner.

From: This group of students can't read.

To: The text complexity could be a barrier to learning the content.

From: These students can't write.

To: Writing to show your understanding could present a barrier.

## **Try Your Own!**

- Eliana doesn't have a strong enough English skills to do well on today's activity.
- If Maria could decode better, she would thrive in science class.
- Eleanor can't pay attention in class when directions are given.
- Alex's home life is terrible, so he really isn't in the state of mind he needs to be in when he gets to school
- David is our worst discipline issue.







## **UDL mindset - Discussion - Mindset Map Template**

#### http://bit.ly/UDLmindsetmap

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- How was language used differently?
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## **UDL Reflections**



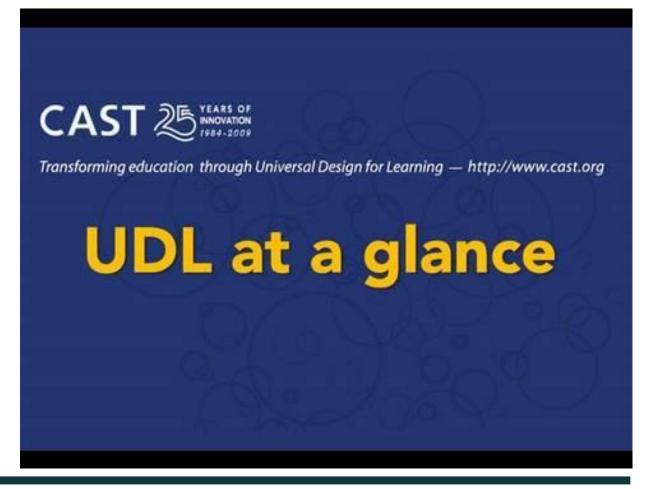








### **UDL** at a Glance









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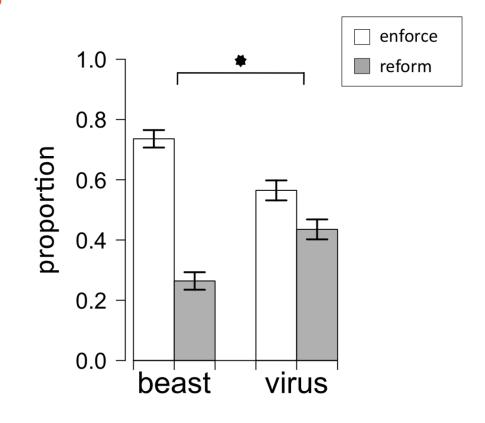
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## **Mindset Matters - Framing**

- How do people make decisions?
   Thibodeau, Boroditsky
- Described a city Addison that had a crime problem
- Described either as a beast attacking the city OR virus infecting the city

- Beast results 74%
- Virus results 56%



## **Another Framing Example**











## **UDL** Mindset

#### **Beliefs**

- Variability is the norm
- Variability is predictable
- Educator's job is to design for all learners

#### Language

- Options
- Design
- Universal
- Engagement
- Representation
- Action & Expression
- Expert Learners

#### **Habits and practices**

- Set rigorous goals
- Anticipate barriers
- Design to minimize barriers
- Provide options for learners

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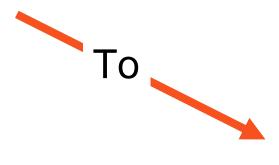
## **Confirmation Bias**

## Tendency to interpret new information as confirming current belief

- Maintains and reinforces mindset
- Slows mindset shift
- Interferes with communication across mindset

## **UDL Mindset Shift**

One Size Fits All Mindset



**UDL** Mindset









## **Reframing Conversations**

- Think of statements that you have heard or even spoken that don't fit.
- Think about how to reframe these.
- Script your response.

#### **Three Starters**

- Angela never pays attention in class.
- Barry never uses any of the resources I give him for his assignments. It's like he doesn't even know they exist, even though they are sitting on his desk.
- My ninth graders don't know where to start when writing an essay. They don't do any planning.











## Shifting Mindset - <u>UDL Mindset Plan</u> - http://bit.ly/UDLMindsetPlan

- Articulate your beliefs and how they align
- Pay attention to and shift language
- Identify colleagues who want to or have already shifted their thinking
- Find a few good examples of UDL in practice as anchors



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## Thank you!

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#### Resources

- Mindset: What They Are and Why They Matter, Gary Klein <a href="https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/seeing-what-others-dont/201605/mindsets">https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/seeing-what-others-dont/201605/mindsets</a>
- Metaphors We Live By, George Lakoff and Mark Johnson
- The power of framing: It's not what you say, it's how you say it, Steve Rathje <a href="https://www.theguardian.com/science/head-quarters/2017/jul/20/the-power-of-framing-its-not-what-you-say-its-how-you-say-it">https://www.theguardian.com/science/head-quarters/2017/jul/20/the-power-of-framing-its-not-what-you-say-its-how-you-say-it</a>
- Metaphors We Think With: The Role of Metaphor in Reasoning, Paul H. Thibodeau, Lera Boroditsky: https://iournals.plos.org/plosone/article?id=10.1371/journal.pone.0016782#s3
- Amos Tversky, Daniel Kahneman The Journal of Business Vol. 59, No. 4, Part 2: The Behavioral Foundations of Economic Theory (Oct., 1986), pp. S251-S278 (28 pages)
- Developing a Growth Mindset Carol Dweck https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hiiEeMN7vbQ
- Five Characteristics of the Entrepreneurial Mindset, Paul Keisch <a href="https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/five-characteristics-entrepreneurial-mindset-paul-keisch/">https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/five-characteristics-entrepreneurial-mindset-paul-keisch/</a>
- Bringing the Global Mindset to Leadership, Mansour Javidan <a href="https://hbr.org/2010/05/bringing-the-global-mindset-to.html">https://hbr.org/2010/05/bringing-the-global-mindset-to.html</a>
- 5 Way to Develop a Global Mindset <a href="https://trainingindustry.com/articles/strategy-alignment-and-planning/5-ways-to-develop-a-global-mindset/">https://trainingindustry.com/articles/strategy-alignment-and-planning/5-ways-to-develop-a-global-mindset/</a>
- Ted Radio Hour, "Decisions, Decisions, Decisions," March 10, 2017, Guy Raz https://www.npr.org/programs/ted-radio-hour/?showDate=2018-09-14









## Additional Slides that may be of interest

Keep going to see more...









## Growth mindset Carol Dweck

#### **Beliefs**

Abilities grow through hard work Errors are opportunities Learning is its own reward

#### Language

Use "not yet" VS "fail "I love a challenge"

#### Habits and practices

Process errors to understand and learn from them

Seek out and embrace difficult problems

#### **Framing**

Attention Focus on longer term

Interpretation Learning is a pathway and if I don't know something, I just haven't gotten there yet.

Skills + Sensitivity
Analyzing mistakes carefully
Recognizing when you have made a mistake









## **Global mindset**

glob·al mind·set, n: the ability to operate comfortably across borders, cultures, and languages

Intellectual capital: Global business savvy, cognitive complexity, cosmopolitan outlook

**Psychological capital**: Passion for diversity, quest for adventure, self-assurance

**Social capital**: Intercultural empathy, interpersonal impact, diplomacy

## **Different Framings of UDL**

## Universal Design for Learning is a Framework to...

- Make learning experiences Accessible
- Develop Expert Learners
- Promote Social Justice
- Guide Design Thinking in Education
- Outline Checkpoints for accessible learning experiences

## **Examples of Mindset Shifts**

- Fixed mindset to Growth mindset
- Procedural to Problem solving mindset
- Problem solving to Design mindset
- Worker to Entrepreneurial mindset
- Local to Global mindset





