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1. First Year Students, a special case?

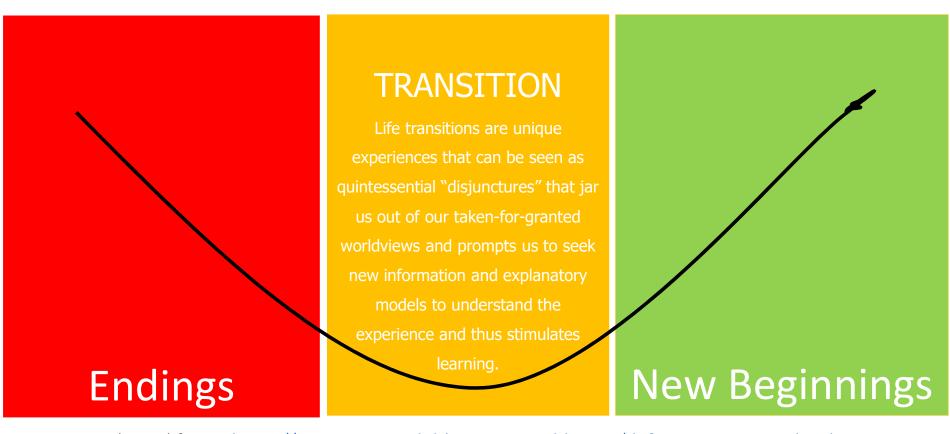


Diagram adapted from: https://transitionsinadultlearning.weebly.com/defining-transitions.html

Transitions: risks and opportunities

Transitions provide fertile ground for development and growth.

Transition to
Higher
Education



2. A Framework?



B.A.S.I.C.S.

Belonging

Aspirations

Safety

Identity

Challenge

Success

Alistair Smith https://alistairsmithlearning.com/learning_articles/learning-publications/

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Learning Environment

Learning Strategies

Belonging

Aspirations

Identity

Challenge

Safety

Success

 A way to organise my reading and categorise approaches

 Think about a shared language for learning

High Impact Learning and Teaching

Designing
Learning
Environments

Learner-Centred Approaches Assessment Practice and Feedback

Supporting Learner Autonomy

Identity Challenge and Success: Developing a shared language for learning

Dweck: Mindset – Fixed and Growth.

Perception of and response to

challenge – the importance of 'yet'

Mezirow: Transformative learning and the role of discomfort

Boyer: Language of learning and scholarship: DIAL

Boyers Four Scholarships: DIAL A shared language for learning and building learning partnerships.

Discovery

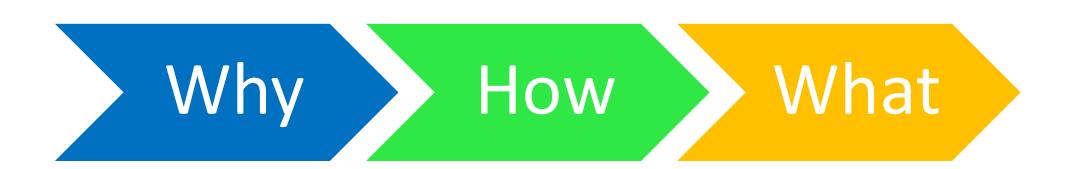
Integration

Application

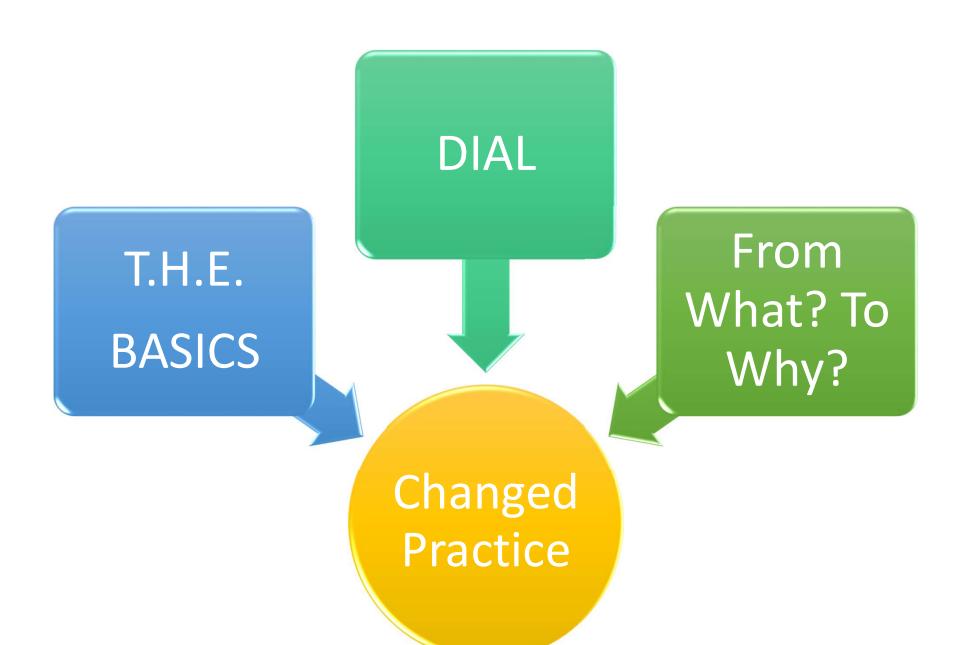
Learning and Teaching
Others

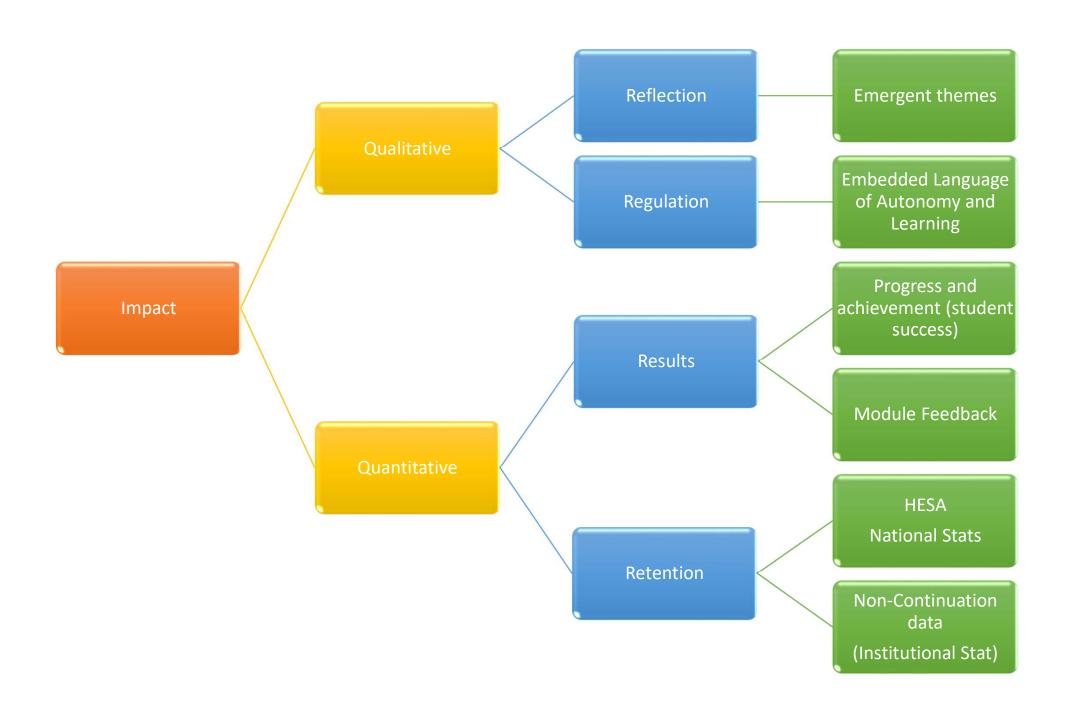
3. Support enhanced engagement: Impact on learning

What How Why



Adapted from Simon Sinek: The Golden Circle





What does this look like in real life?

Overview of some work in progress

TLT

Agency: Self-assessment and selfregulation Reflective Writing: Assessment negotiation on an individual basis of the content or subject matter

PKS2

Assessment negotiation on a group basis of the content or subject matter

PKS1 - L&T

to actively collaborate and negotiate with each other, elements of the learning process.

SOLE; ILPs; Group Problem-solving/ Real life application and questions; Resource building

Phonetics and Linguistics: L&T

Group Problem-solving/ Real life application and questions; Resource building

to actively collaborate and negotiate with the teacher and each other, elements of the learning process; the purpose of their work, the teaching approach

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