

"A process by which (humans) modify nature to meet their needs and wants" (Selwyn, 2011, p.6)

CALL

Computer Assisted Language Learning PALL

Pen Assisted Language Learning

WALL

Whiteboard Assisted Language Learning

(Bax: 2003, 2011)

Normalisation

"Advanced scientific knowledge used for practical purposes, especially in industry." (Macmillan Dictionary) "New machinery and equipment that has been developed using scientific knowledge or processes." (Cambridge Dictionary) "The application of scientific knowledge for practical purposes, especially in industry. Machinery and equipment developed from the application of scientific knowledge." (Oxford Dictionary)

digital
electrical
hardware (devices)
software (applications)

Why use technology?

learner ownership

testing and assessment

engagement with authentic

materials

curation and collation of

learning resources

out-of-class collaboration

'real world' language use

learning management

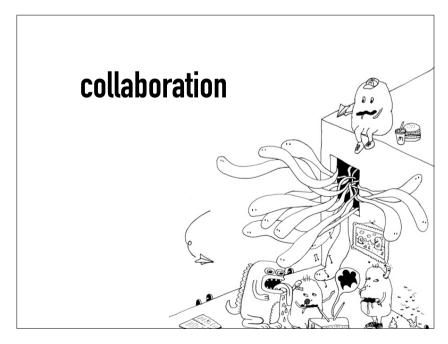
portfolio building

reflection

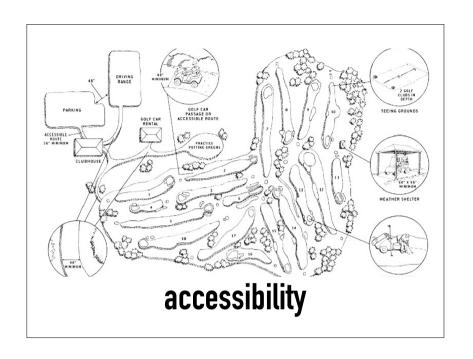
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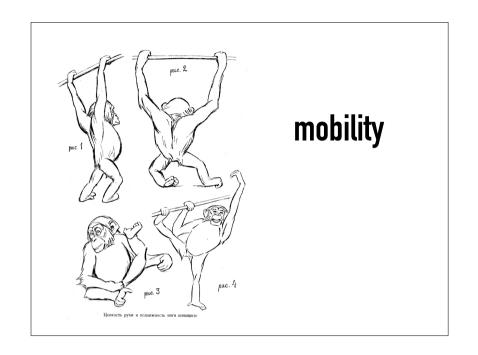


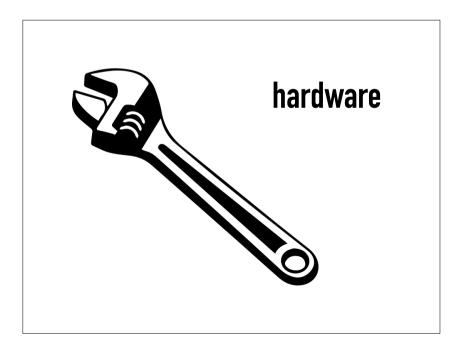


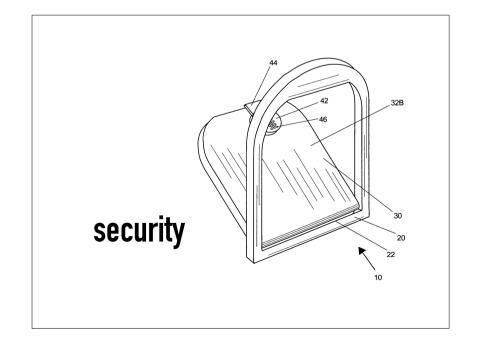


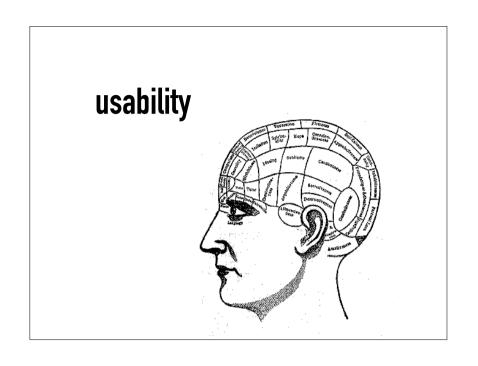
A Checklist for Evaluating Technology

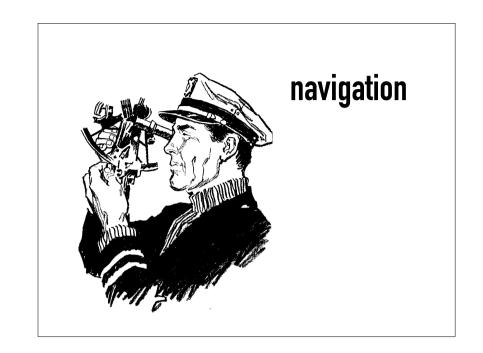




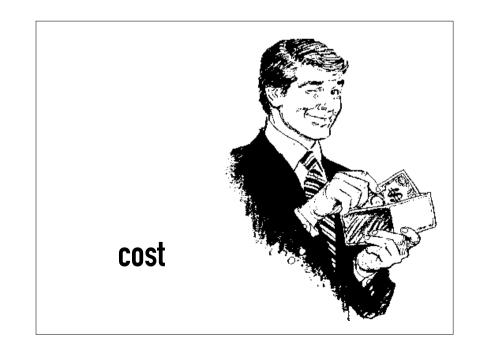


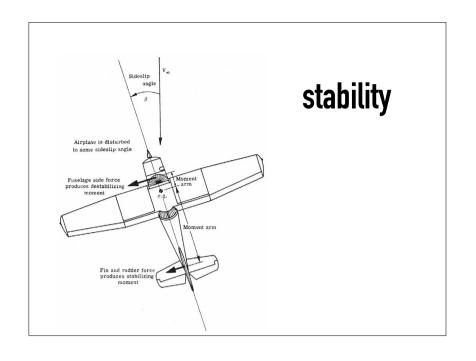


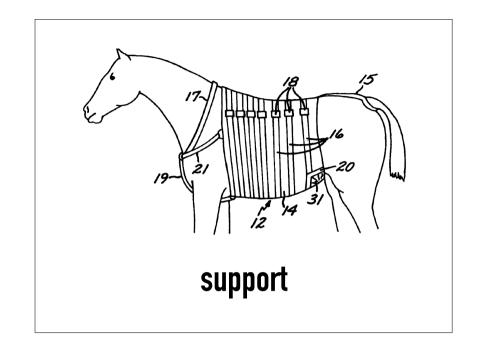














Expectations

What do you think your students can do?

Are you ever surprised at what they can or can't do?

The Digital Native

Prensky (2001) Digital Natives, Digital Immigrants

Thomas (2011) Deconstructing Digital Natives

Prensky (2012) From Digital Natives to Digital Wisdom

Digital natives or digital immigrants? 3 tactics to manage multigenerational digital transformation.

Young people are the answer to the UK's £63 billion digital skills problem.

The digital learner: a new breed of learner in the digital age.

Infographic: How to win over digital natives.

The Digital Native in Mainstream Media



Conflated with 'millennial'

Despite evidence to refute the concept, appears to be a compelling metaphor





professional vs. leisure archival vs. transitory situated vs. mobile

Research Questions

To what extent do teachers and learners differ and converge in their uses and perceptions of technology?

How do teachers and learners differ in their understanding of 'normalisation' (Bax, 2003)?

Methodology – Delivery and Participants

Online survey.

Administered to teachers and students in universities across Japan.

477 students and 54 instructors completed it.

Methodology – Survey contents

Basic demographic data

Thirteen multi-item, closed questions totalling 154 discrete items

Three open-ended questions

Methodology - Survey contents

Questions in three main categories

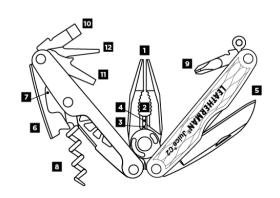
Access

Usage

Comfort



Methodology - Analysis



Considered both tools and tasks

Methodology – Analysis constructs

Some items grouped into constructs labeled work, creative, and social

Methodology - Work construct

Word processing, spreadsheets, presentations, email

Video calling/conferencing, online collaboration

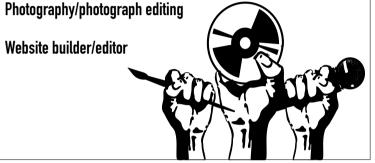
> Cloud file storage/sharing, file uploader/downloader



Methodology - Creative construct

Audio/Voice or Video recording/editing

Website builder/editor



Methodology – Social construct

Blogging/Microblogging/Sharing sites

Social networking sites

Text-based chat



Discussion I

Teachers appear on average to be both more frequent and more comfortable users of technology.

	Students	Teachers
Use	1.774	2.329
Comfort	2.001	3.009

Discussion I

This is particularly apparent with 'work' tools.

Work construct	Students	Teachers
Use:	1.465	2.826
Comfort:	1.924	3.492

Item	Use	Comfort
Overall	76%	65%
Application installer	101%	64%
Video streaming	101%	85%
Taking photographs	101%	86%
Photo editing	103%	86%
Text-based chat	103%	86%
Inputting text with a touchscreen	106%	97%
Writing text with pen and paper	112%	84%
Video recording	114%	84%
Blogging/Microblogging/Sharing	117%	84%

Discussion II

Even when learners report higher levels of use than teachers, they do not report higher levels of comfort.



Discussion III

Teachers need to be aware that what is 'normalised' for them (e.g. word processing and email software) may not be for students.

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Discussion IV

Students may recognise their (perceived) lack of skills / confidence and want to address them while also wanting to keep some digital spaces as personal.

Constructs	Students' general comfort	Students' interest in using technology for language learning
Work	1.924	3.563
Creative	1.839	3.412
Social	2.295	3.302

Avoid impinging on learners' spaces. It is intrusive, and blurs lines between learning and fun to the detriment of both.

Allow learners to choose their own tools (or none at all).

Use tools and hardware as necessary for specific tasks, rather than all encompassing systems.

Use technology for creative and collaborative tasks – output rather than input.

Leave space in the learners' schedules for focused work, rest and reflection.

...and that is what we are going to do now.

LUNCHTIME!