Agenda Session 3

- Housekeeping (3-3:10)
- Catch-up Main points from L1/Video teaching syntax (3:10-3:45)
- Activity: Group Reading Analysis and group activity (3:45-4:30)
- Classroom Video 4:30-4:50
 - BREAK (10 min.)
- ELD Level Discussion (5:00-5:20)
 - Activity: Levels sharing and Time for H&J lesson (Assignment #1) planning (5:20-5:55)
 - 🖗 Closure (5:55-6:00 min.)

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A few practical teaching suggestions from the L1 acquisition research and theory

- Silent Period: Input far more important than output, at least at the early stages.
- Rule learning cannot account for syntax, morphological control.
- Focus on content for both content and "language"
- Phonology will probably take care of itself.
- Error correction must be nuanced.
- Don't need to "control" for content, sounds, or syntactical form.
 Focus on meaning
- Whole object principle allows us to focus on objects as a key for language learning.
 Language learning/acquisition fundamentally different than
 - Language learning/acquisition fundamentally different than other kinds of learning.
 - We learn L2 most efficiently when we forget we are learning it at all.

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General Theories of L2 Acquisition

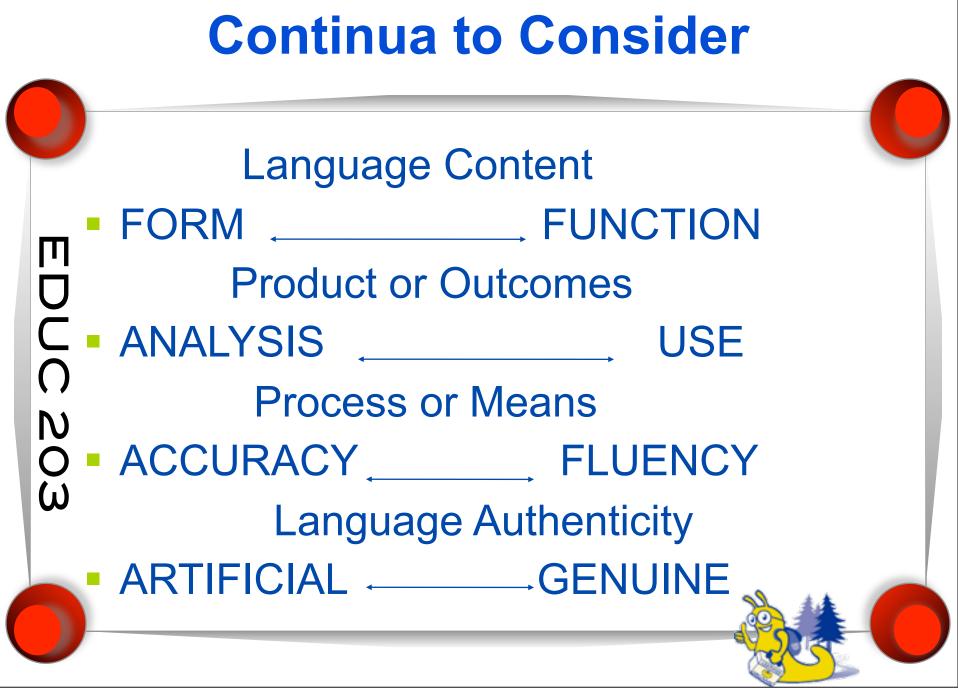
- Identity (Isomorphic) hypothesis: L1 and L2 processes are exactly the same.
- Contrastive hypothesis: The predication of D C C errors based on L1 "interference"
 - Monitor Model (Krashen)
 - Learner differences theory
 - **Pidginization Theory**

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L1-----Pidgin-----"Taught" form of L2



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"Theories" of L2 Learning

- Humanistic
- Developmental
- **Social Interactionist**
- Cognitive

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- Behavioral
- N O S Interlanguage
 - Neurobiological

Group Reading Analysis Crawford, others

- What is the basic distinction between BICS and CALPS as Cummins originally proposed?
- originally proposed?
 What are general criticisms of the BICS/CALPS distinction? Are these criticisms valid in your views?
- Why do you believe many educators continue to use BICS/CALPS in spite of the critiques?

Stephen Krashen

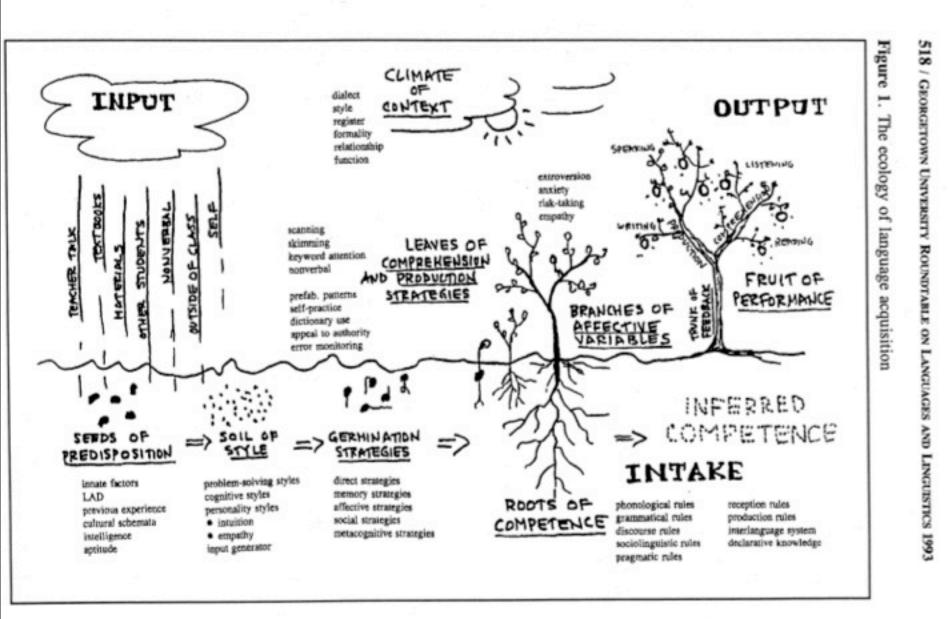


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The Monitor Model

- Learning-Acquisition Distinction (Acquisition as a Subconscious Process)
- **Natural Order Hypothesis**
 - Monitor Hypothesis
 - Input Hypothesis (i +1)
- N O Affective Filter Hypothesis

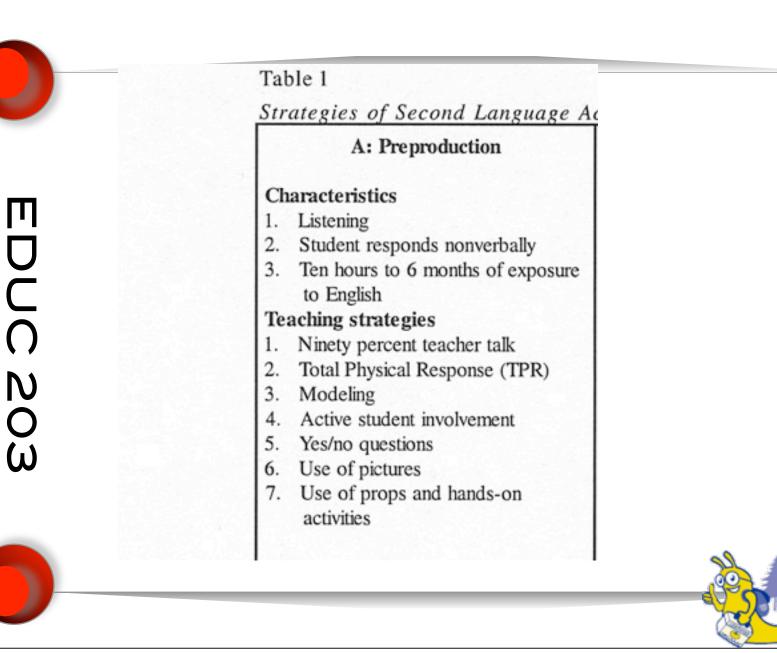
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Assessing EL Levels



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B: Early production

Characteristics

- 1. Continued listening
- Student responds with one or two words, and nonverbally
- Three to 6 months to 1 year of exposure to English

Teaching strategies

- 1. Fifty percent to 60% teacher talk
- TPR with responses—verbal and nonverbal
- Answering who, what, where, and either/or questions with one-word answers
- 4. Role-playing
- 5. Completing sentences
- Questions to be answered with phrases (e.g., Where. . . ? In the house.)
- 7. Labeling (older learners)

C: Speech emergence

Characteristics

- 1. Sight vocabulary (older learners)
- Students speak in phrases and sentences
- One to 3 years of exposure to English

Teaching strategies

- 1. Forty percent teacher talk
- 2. Scaffolding and expansion
- 3. Poetry, songs, and chants
- 4. Predicting
- 5. Comparing
- 6. Describing
- Social interaction (cooperative learning with information gaps)
- 8. How and why questions
- 9. Language experience approach
- 10. Problem solving
- 11. Group discussion
- 12. Labeling
- 13. Listing, charting, graphing

D: Intermediate fluency

Characteristics

- May seem fluent, but needs to expand vocabulary and Cognitive Academic Language Proficiency
- 2. Engages in dialogue
- Three to 4 years of exposure to English

Teaching strategies

- 1. Ten percent teacher talk
- 2. Essay writing
- 3. Analyzing charts and graphs
- More complex problem solving and evaluating
- Continuing with how and why questions; students must research and support their answers
- Pre-writing activities—writing process, peer critiquing, etc.
- 7. Literacy analysis

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