

Huzzah!!
Woo Hoo! Hurray!

Celebrating Discomfort

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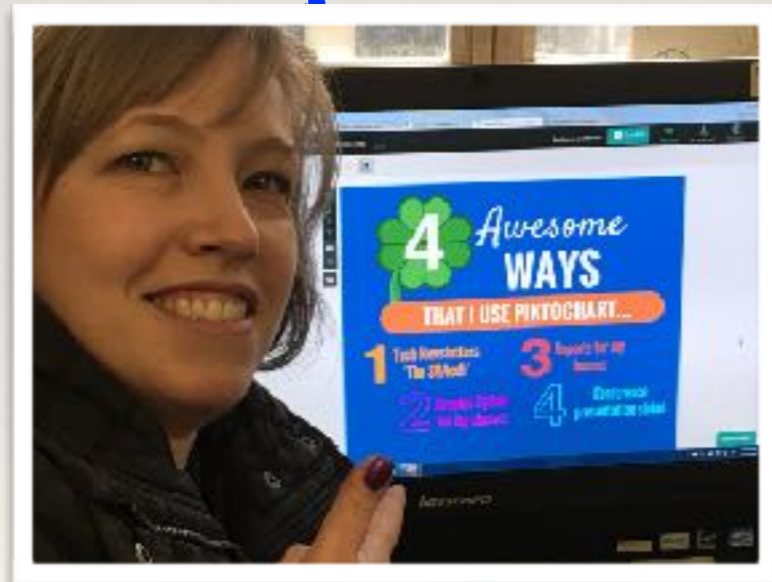


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Who am I?

Techie

Teacher



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Knowledge is not enough.
It's not even the place to start.

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“And that’s what they were doing—getting smarter. Not only weren’t they discouraged by failure, they didn’t even think they were failing. They thought they were learning.”

Carol Dweck, *Mindset: The New Psychology of Success*

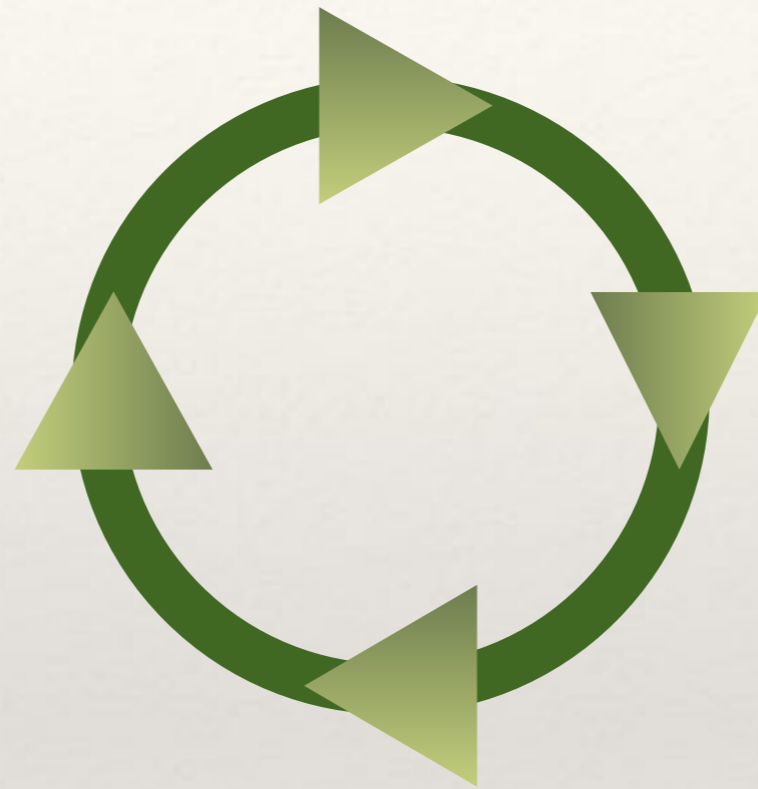
“It is not simply about being open to growth, but focusing on what new knowledge you can create with that growth.”

George Couros, *The Innovator's Mindset*

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Risk

Innovation

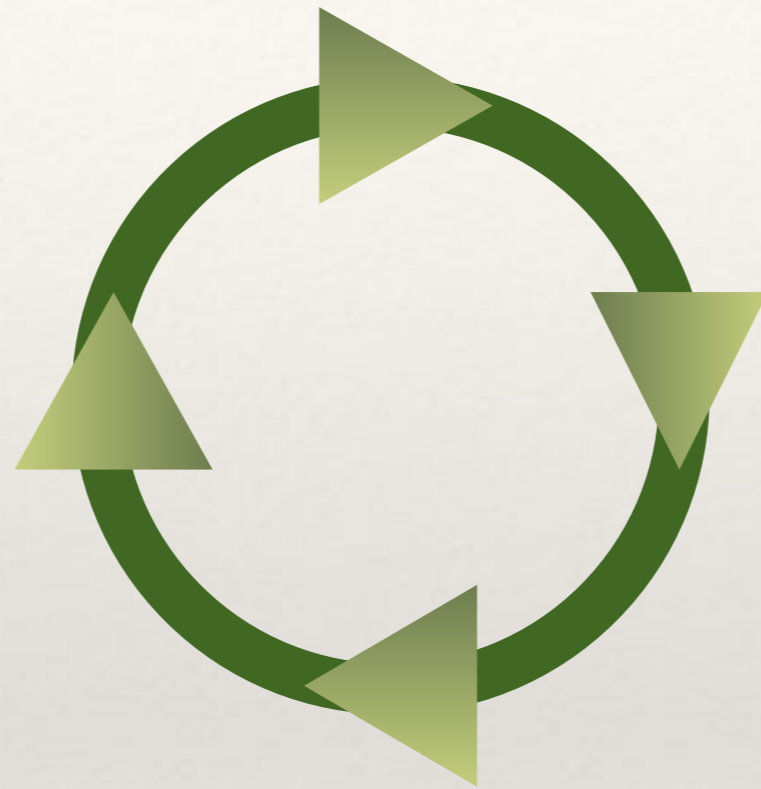


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Empathize

Model

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Know your people.

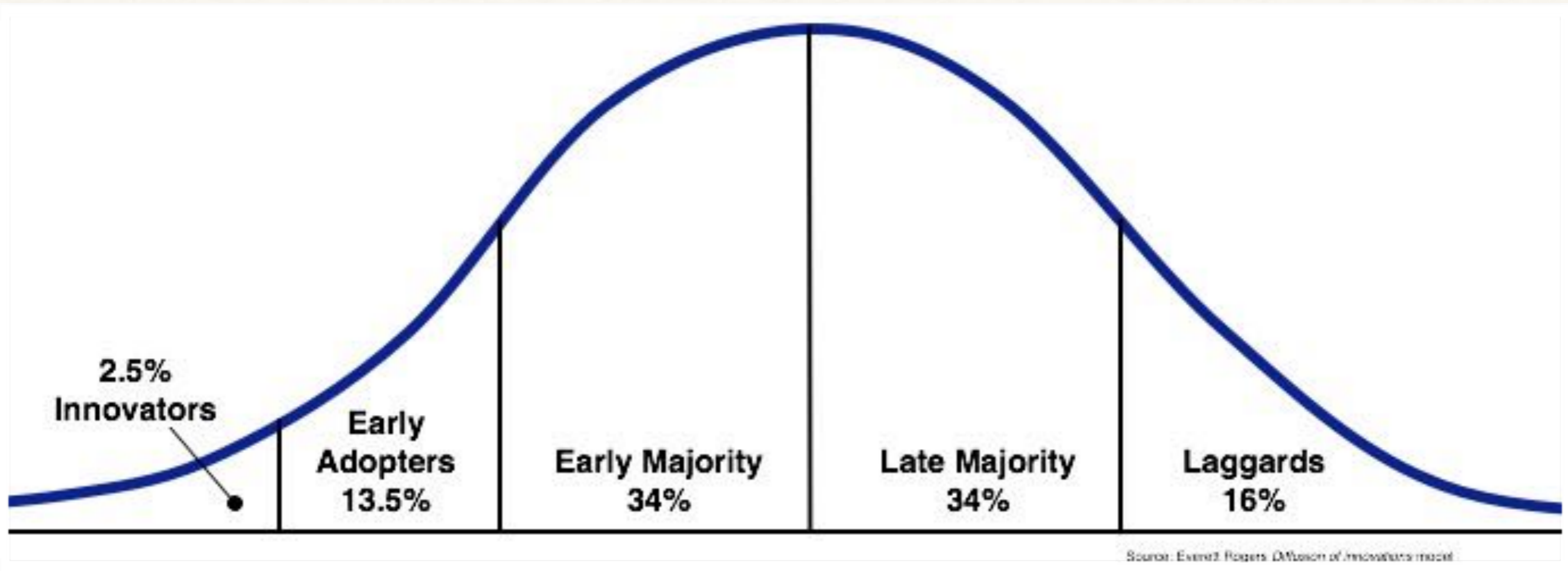
Design your strategies for them.

What's it like in their shoes?



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How comfortable are they with change?



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Be vulnerable.

Be a visible learner.



St. Mary's Academy Staff Dances to 'Good Time' During the 2012-2013 Welcome Back Assembly

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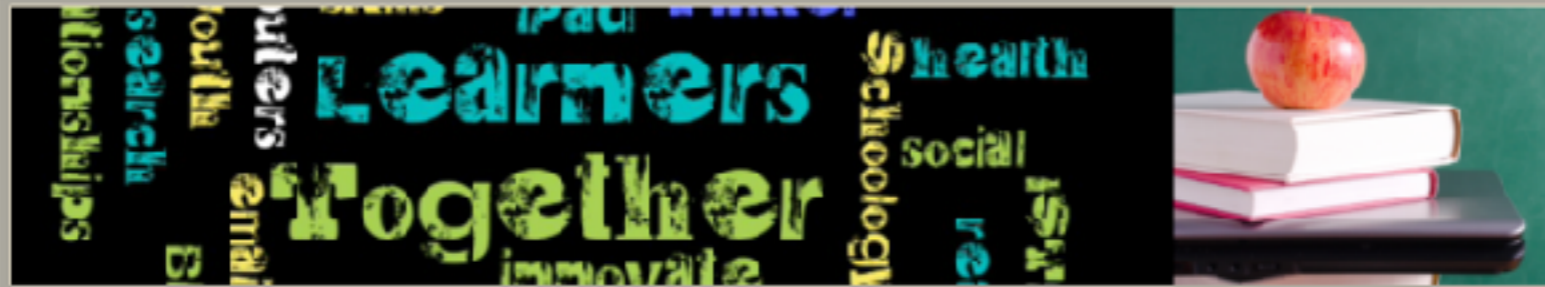
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Who knew that upcycling could be so fun? And create an ideal opportunity for assessment of presentation skills to boot?

This semester I challenged my Speech students to design a product for an audience of their choice, which they would then pitch live at the end of the semester. But here was the catch--they had to upcycle materials from around the school to do it. (Shout out to local middle school art teacher and design expert, [Beth Rogers Bundy](#), for the brilliant idea)

What followed was an amazing four-week adventure in which students immersed themselves in the design process (guided by the Stanford Design School model). Working in pairs and trios, each team chose a focus audience from the SMA community, researched their needs, and ideated designs to fit those needs.

After scavenging piles of unwanted items from around our school, the students worked together to build and test their designs.



About This Blog

The Learners Together blog is a forum for sharing ideas, activities, and epiphanies about using technology in education. Comments and sharing are welcome.

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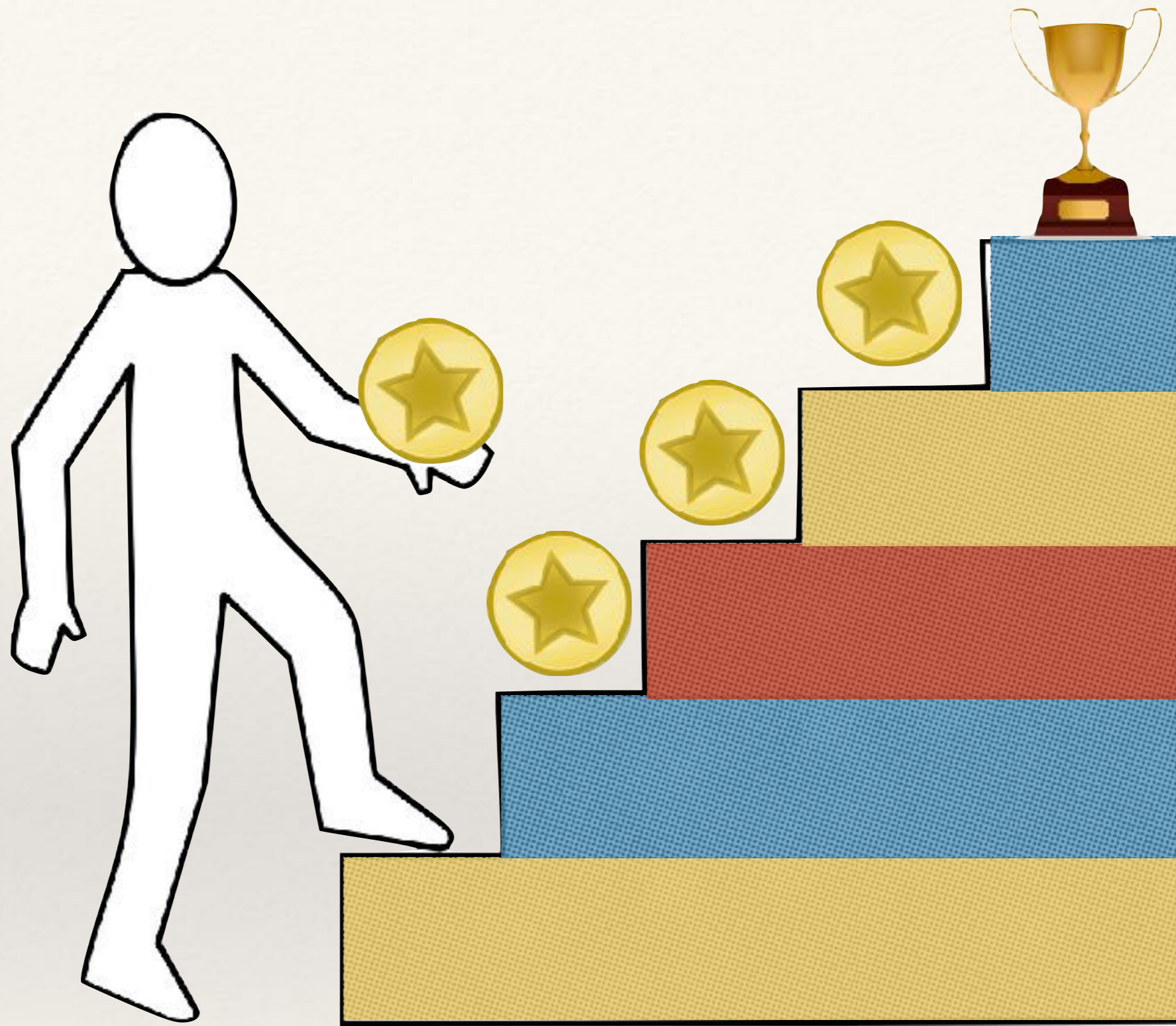
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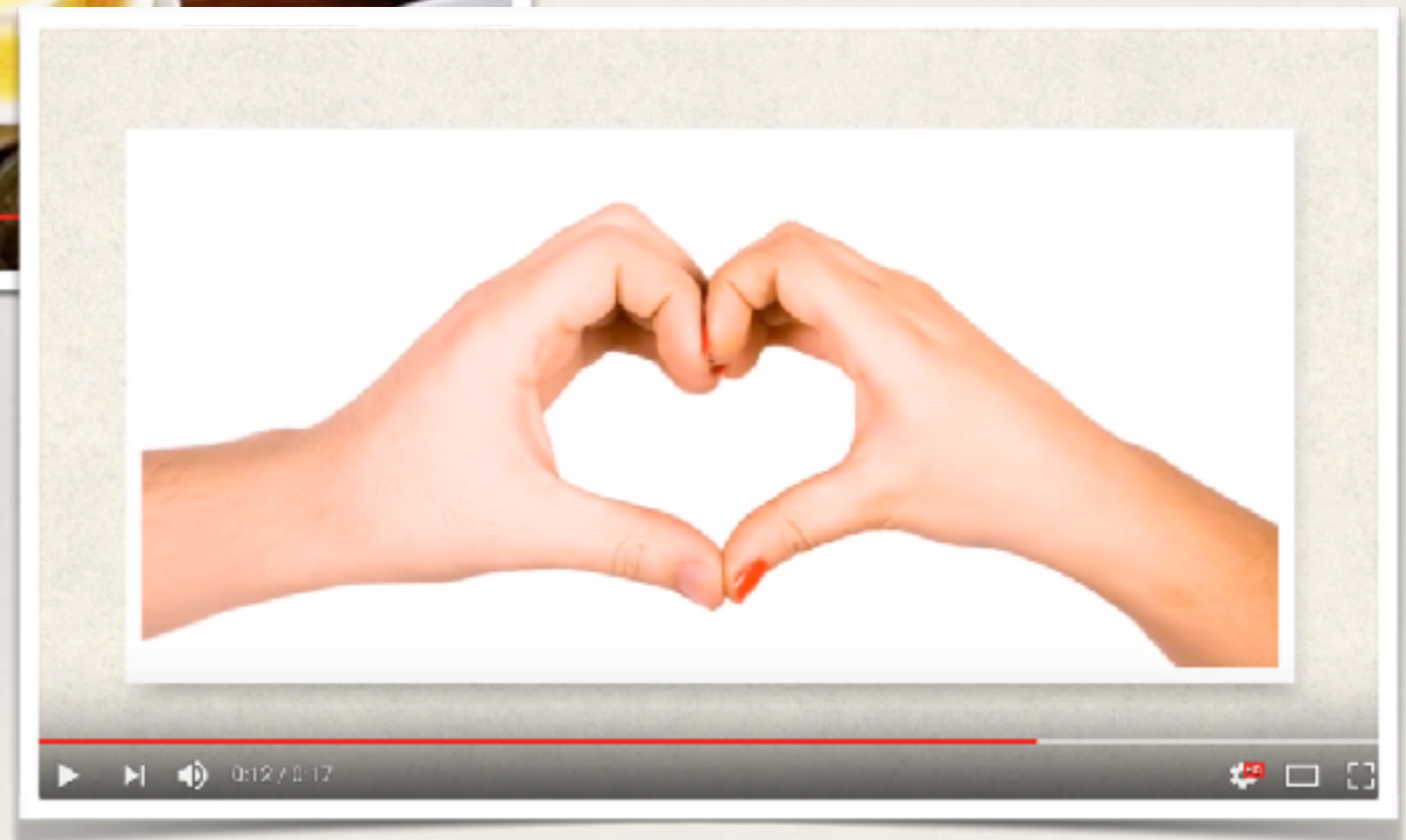
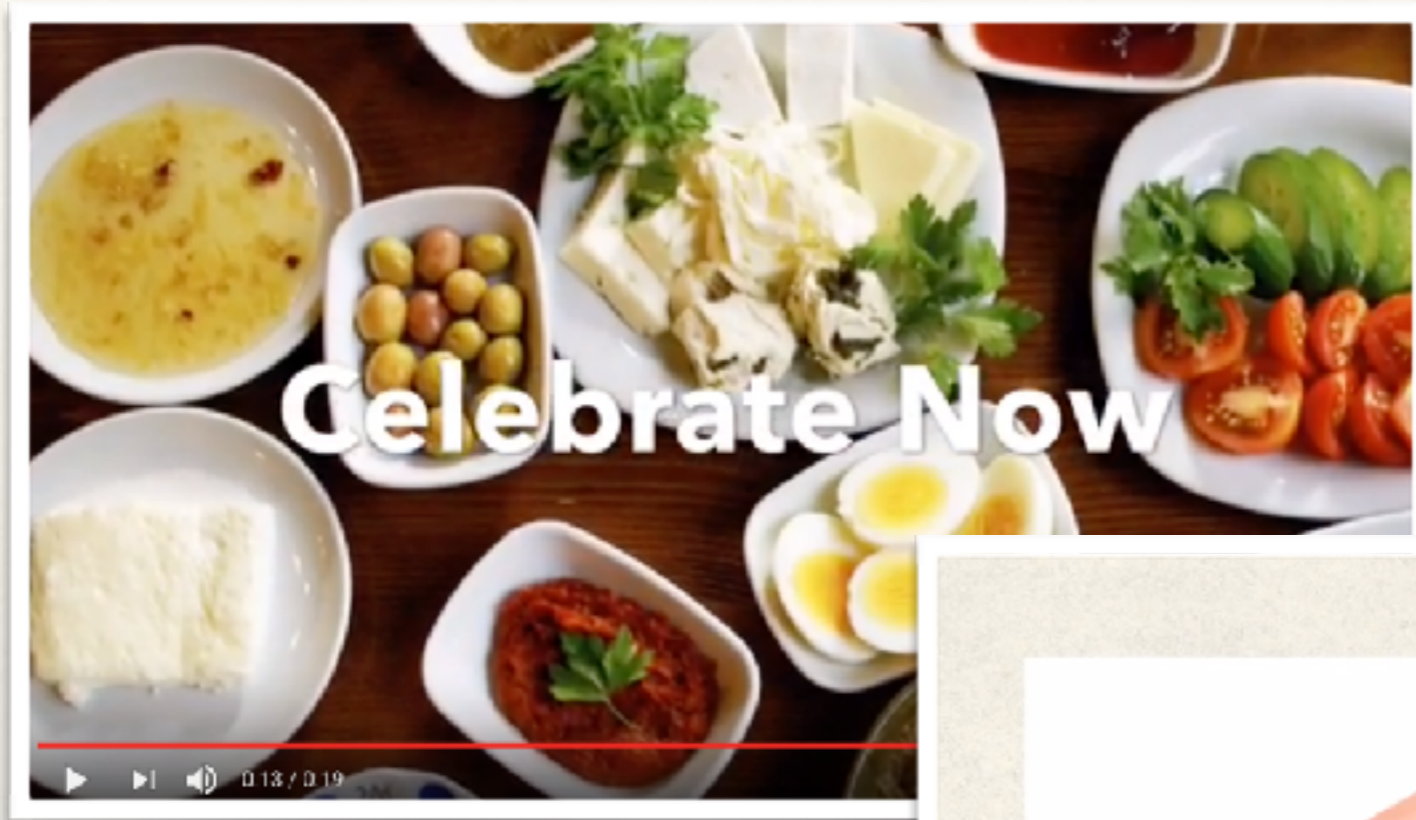
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Notice the small risks too.

Make them visible.



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SMERD ALERTS!

Randy Kollars
Carrie Housley
Sara Salvi

And a few others...you know who you are!!

These awesome SMerds are all working on some excellent ideas for their One Best Thing projects--Ask them about their ideas!

Way to go SMerds!!

Do you know someone who should get a SMerd Alert?
Email me with the details!



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This is what happens when teachers have fun with their students! Rock on @EllieLitGilbert and @KRHarrington7!



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Don't forget to take care of YOU!

How will you celebrate discomfort this year?



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