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It’s Time to Flip!

Bergmann and Sams’ book, Flip Your Classroom, has revolutionized my thinking and has provided me with a new means of delivering content in my technology and methodology class for graduate students at New Jersey City University. My instructional activities have always been set up in a traditional manner much like the ones described in Flip Your Classroom (p. 15). During the lesson, I would provide a brief lecture and introduce content to facilitate language-learning. In addition, students would also be given time for guided and/or independent practice. I typically found myself repeating the same lesson as a result of students arriving late to class, abseentism or extra assistance needed for the struggling learners that had difficulties following along. The more advanced students, on the other hand, were ready to jump right into the content.

With this new approach, I can develop a series of web-based instructional content which I can share with my students depending on their individual needs. The content can be assigned for “homework” which will afford more time to dedicate to working one-on-one with my graduate students in person. The videos can be viewed on a desktop, PC or a mobile device. Time can also be set aside in class for any student that was unable view the content at home for any reason. An added feature is that students will be able to “pause” and “rewind” the lesson as many times as needed. This method will allow for students to personalize their instruction and actively contribute to their learning.

As a result of reading Flip Your Classroom, I have created a series of instructional tutorials with clear objectives using screen casting software which have been uploaded to my [You Tube](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC94di4A4-aBsVSgDwRmZXzw) channel. The content being delivered is standards-based and aligned to the existing curriculum. It also promotes differentiated instruction and increases opportunities for teacher-student interactions.

*Click on the links below for a preview of my online library:*

* **Video 1**- [Getting Started with a Classroom Webpage](https://youtu.be/la5JXlyTw9A)
* **Video 2**- [How to Insert a Hyperlink](https://youtu.be/E5BH5zaZnzE)
* **Video 3**- [How to Insert an Image](https://youtu.be/JAV4Zy1KzJM)
* **Video 4**-[How to Save, Preview and Publish](https://youtu.be/dBoCOQsqph8)
* **Video 5**-[Why Use a Voki?](https://youtu.be/COU7eBxBOVw)

References

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