

**SCIENCE CONCEPTS AND GENERIC
SCIENCE SKILLS RELATIONSHIP
IN THE 21ST CENTURY SCIENCE
EDUCATION**

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WHAT KIND OF SCIENCE EDUCATION?

- **SCIENCE CONTENT EXPLANATION**
- **SCIENCE CONCEPTS ROTE LEARNING**
- **COOK-BOOK EXPERIMENTS**
- **VERIFICATION EXPERIMENTS**
- **TEACHER CENTERED SCIENCE TEACHING**

A NEW PARADIGM OF SCIENCE EDUCATION

- **PROVIDING STUDENTS WITH EXPERIENCES THAT ENABLE THEM UNDERSTANDING SCIENCE**
- **GUIDING STUDENTS TOWARD UNDERSTANDING SCIENCE**
- **ENABLING STUDENTS TO USE THEIR SCIENCE KNOWLEDGE**

CHANGING THE MODES OF LEARNING SCIENCE

- **LEARNING SCIENCE THROUGH
THINKING SCIENCE**
- **LEARNING SCIENCE THROUGH
EXPERIENCING SCIENCE**
- **LEARNING SCIENCE TO DEVELOP
GENERIC SCIENCE SKILLS**

SCIENTIFIC THINKING FRAMEWORK (1)

- **THE UNIVERSE IS A SINGLE SYSTEM IN WHICH THE BASIC RULES ARE EVERYWHERE THE SAME**
- **SCIENCE IS A PROCESS FOR PRODUCING KNOWLEDGE**
- **CHARACTERISTIC OF SCIENCE ARE TENTATIVENESS OF CONTINUITY, STABILITY AND CHANGE**

SCIENTIFIC THINKING FRAMEWORK (2)

- **SCIENCE IS ONLY AN APPROACH TO AN “ABSOLUTE” CONDITION**
- **SCIENCE IS NOT VALUE FREE**
- **SCIENCE IS LIMITED THAT CANNOT DECIDE GOOD OR EVIL**

UNITY OF SCIENCE DISCIPLINES (COMMON THEMES)

- **SYSTEMS**
- **MODELS**
- **CONSTANCY**
- **PATTERN OF CHANGE**
- **SCALE**
- **EVOLUTION**

GENERIC SCIENCE SKILLS

- **DIRECT AND INDIRECT OBSERVATION**
- **SENSE OF SCALE**
- **SYMBOLIC LANGUAGE**
- **LOGICAL SELF-CONSISTENCY OF NATURAL LAWS**
- **LOGICAL INFERENCE**
- **CAUSALITY**
- **MATHEMATICS MODELLING**
- **CONCEPT FORMATION**

SCIENCE DISCIPLINES, GENERIC SCIENCE SKILLS AND SCIENTIFIC TOPICS RELATIONSHIP (1)

- **SCIENCE DISCIPLINE:** PHYSICS
- **TOPICS :** THERMODYNAMICS, AND MAGNETICS INDUCTION
- **GENERIC SCIENCE SKILLS :**
INDIRECT OBSERVATION, MATHEMATICS MODELLING, SYMBOLIC LANGUAGE, CAUSALITY, LOGICAL SELF-CONSISTENCY OF NATURAL LAWS, CONCEPT FORMATION

SCIENCE DISCIPLINES, GENERIC SCIENCE SKILLS AND SCIENTIFIC TOPICS RELATIONSHIP (2)

- **SCIENCE DISCIPLINE:** BIOLOGY
- **TOPICS :** BACTERIOLOGY & VIROLOGY, DIFFERENCIATION OF LIFE ORGANIZATION, METABOLISM & GENETICS PRINCIPLES
- **GENERIC SCIENCE SKILLS :**
INDIRECT OBSERVATION, MATHEMATICAL MODELLING, SYMBOLIC LANGUAGE, CAUSALITY, LOGICAL SELF-CONSISTENCY OF NATURAL LAWS, CONCEPT FORMATION, LOGICAL INFERENCE, SENSE OF SCALE

SCIENCE DISCIPLINES, GENERIC SCIENCE SKILLS AND SCIENTIFIC TOPICS RELATIONSHIP (3)

- **SCIENCE DISCIPLINE:** CHEMISTRY
- **TOPICS :** HYDROLISIS, COLLIGATIVE PROPERTIES, IDEAL GAS CHANGE
- **GENERIC SCIENCE SKILLS :**
DIRECT & INDIRECT OBSERVATION, MATHEMATICAL MODELLING, SYMBOLIC LANGUAGE, CAUSALITY, LOGICAL SELF-CONSISTENCY OF NATURAL LAWS, CONCEPT FORMATION, LOGICAL INFERENCE, SENSE OF SCALE

THE SPECIFICITY OF GENERIC SCIENCE SKILLS AMONG SCIENCE DISCIPLINES

- PHYSICS AND CHEMISTRY : LOGICAL SELF-CONSISTENCY OF NATURAL LAWS AND CAUSALITY
- BIOLOGY : SENSE OF SCALE

THE RELATIONSHIP OF GENERIC SCIENCE SKILLS AND KIND OF CONCEPTS

- **DIRECT OBSERVATION: CONCRETE CONCEPTS**
- **INDIRECT OBSERVATION: ABSTRACT CONCEPTS**
- **LOGICAL INFERENCE, CAUSALITY: CONCEPTS WHICH REQUIRE KNOWLEDGE OF PRINCIPLES**
- **LOGICAL SELF-CONSISTENCY OF NATURAL LAWS: ABSTRACT CONCEPTS, CONCEPTS WITH CRITICAL ATTRIBUTE THAT ARE NOT PERCEPTIBLE BUT HAVE PERCEPTIBLE INSTANCES, CONCEPTS THAT NAME PROCESSES, ATTRIBUTE AND PROPERTIES**
- **MATHEMATICAL MODELLING, SYMBOLIC LANGUAGE: CONCEPTS INVOLVING SYMBOLIC REPRESENTATIONS**

SCIENCE CONCEPTS' CHARACTERISTICS

- ***PHYSICS AND CHEMISTRY*** : ABSTRACT CONCEPTS, CONCEPTS WITH CRITICAL ATTRIBUTE THAT ARE NOT PERCEPTIBLE BUT HAVE PERCEPTIBLE INSTANCES, CONCEPTS THAT NAME PROCESSES, ATTRIBUTE AND PROPERTIES, CONCEPTS WHICH REQUIRE KNOWLEDGE OF PRINCIPLES
- ***BIOLOGY*** : ABSTRACT CONCEPTS, CONCEPTS WITH CRITICAL ATTRIBUTE THAT ARE NOT PERCEPTIBLE BUT HAVE PERCEPTIBLE INSTANCES

THINKING THROUGH SCIENCE

- GENERIC SCIENCE AS STUDENTS' COMPETENCE ON SCIENCE
- GENERIC SCIENCE SKILLS AS THINKING SCIENCE
- LEARNING SCIENCE FOR DEVELOPING HIGHER ORDER THINKING SKILLS