

How to use the professional development tools

It is recommended that you watch the teaching strategies first and then read the accompanying teaching strategy information sheets. After that you can look at the other resources in any order. We hope that you can discuss what you have learnt with another teacher or a group of teachers (perhaps working in grade levels). The posters and books can be used as teaching tools and as examples of what you would like students to create. We suggest you work on rubrics with other teachers and ask for feedback from your peers. Try one strategy at a time and start with something you feel most comfortable with. If you try too much or something too difficult you may be overwhelmed, frustrated with lack of results and give up. Share with your fellow teachers things that have worked and challenges you found. Learn from each other.