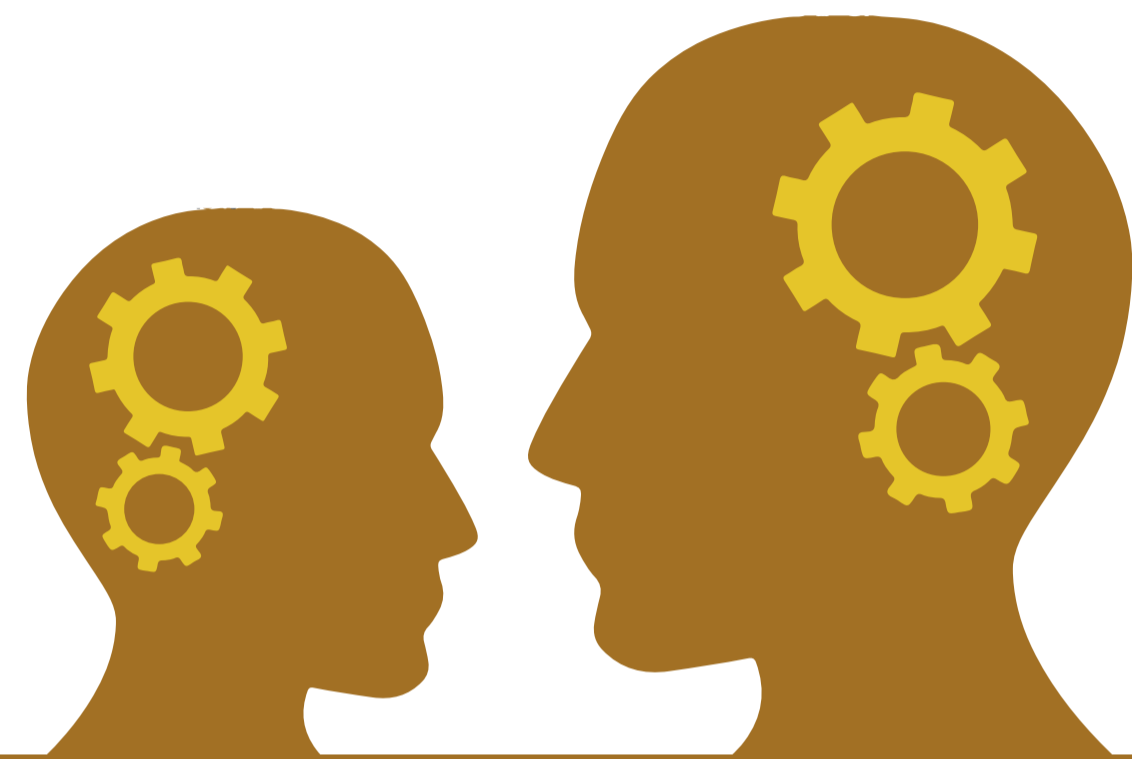


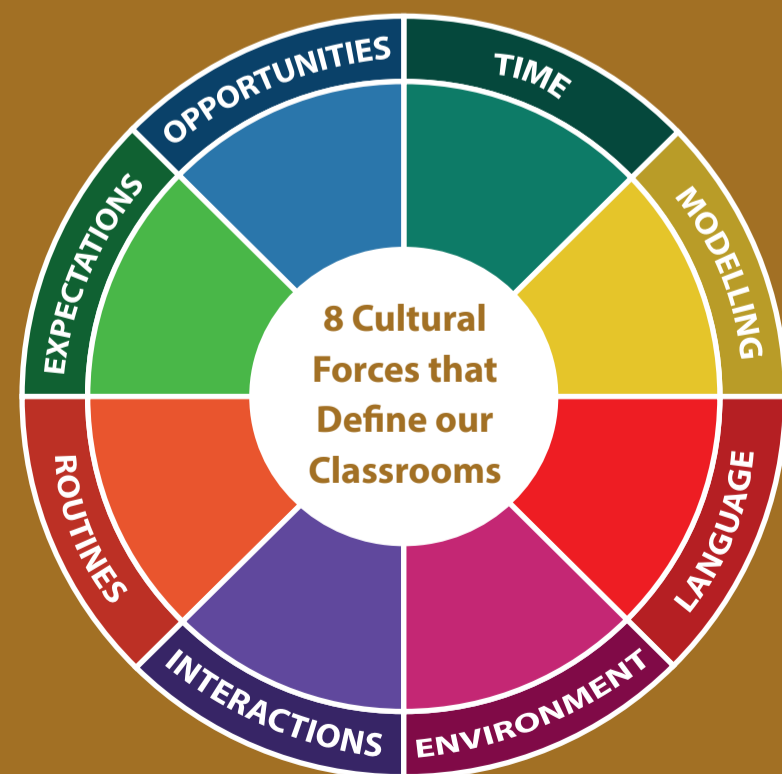
# Modelling

## Seeing Ourselves Through Our Students' Eyes



### Benefits

- Allow students to feel accomplished and in control
- Establish a learning community with respect and interest in our students
- What gets recognised and researched is repeated and learned



Source: *Creating Cultures of Thinking* - Ron Ritchhart  
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## Being a Role Model of Learning and Thinking

- We inspire
- We teach by example
- No one is perfect and don't want to be
- Teacher takes risks. Make mistakes
- Vulnerability is hard to model when we have authority ego
- Model your learning
- Mirror neurons: we do what we see
- Model: skills, habit, dispositions, trials, qualities

"Children are great imitators, so give them something great to imitate."

## Making Thinking Visible

- model - how experts work through problems
- how to make judgments about quality
- how to identify problems
- how to make decisions

Bring thinking to the surface.  
Think aloud problem solving.

## Gradual Release of Responsibility (Independence)

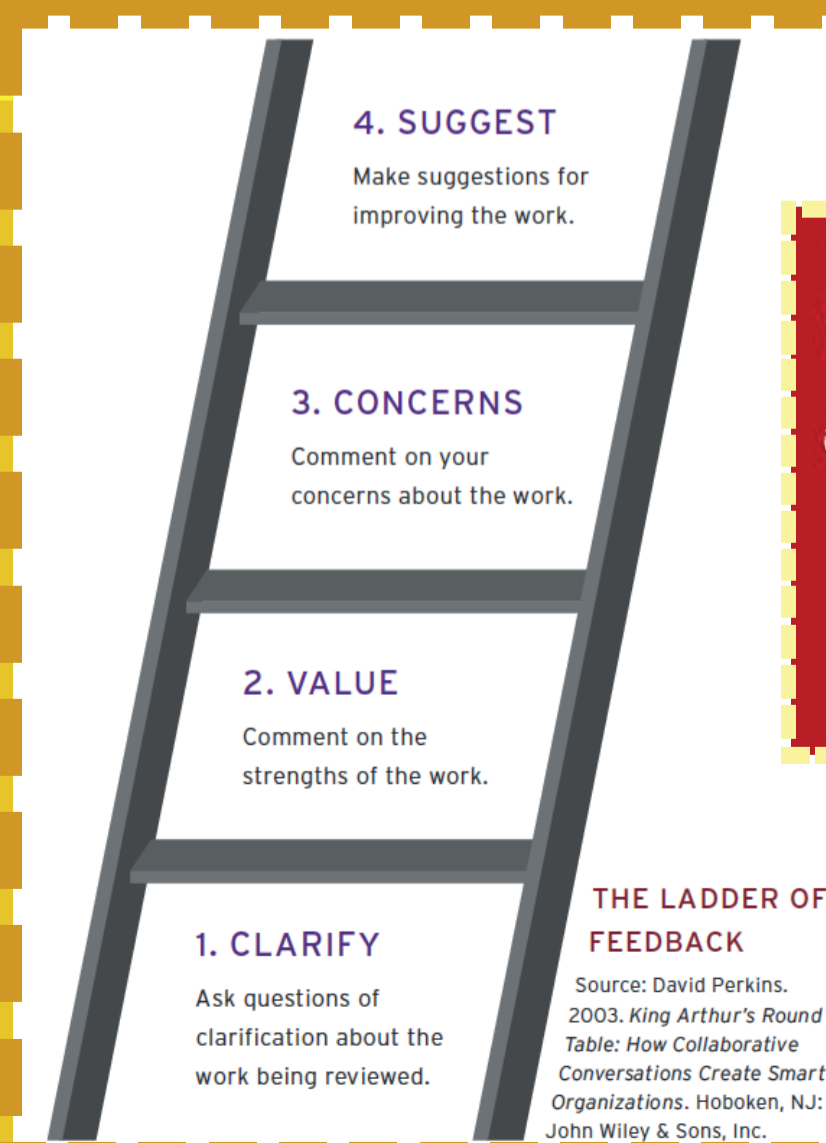
Teachers move from modelling cognitive strategies to coaching and scaffolding e.g. Reading Comprehension

First, identify key processes:

1. Formulating ?'s about text
2. Summarising
3. Making predictions
4. Clarifying difficulties

Teach skills that are authentic and transferable

**Ladder of Feedback:** Model with students watching and empower them to do it.



Your kids watch you for a living. It's their job; it's what they do. That's why it's so important to try your best to be a good role model.  
—James Lehman  
EmpoweringParents.com

## Learning from Examples, Practice and Reflection

Model social skills. Provide multiple models to help avoid imitation. Not all examples need to be high quality.

### Interactive Modelling

1. State the purpose
2. Model the behaviour
3. Explicit discussion of what students saw
4. Ask students to model what they saw
5. Discussion of what was noticed in student model
6. Practice by all students
7. Feedback to group.

Suggested modeling: Effective listening, how to lead a team without dominating, how to disagree respectfully, learn to apologise etc.

