





LATE WORK

DIFFICULTY WITH PARTICPATING IN CONVERSATIONS IN REAL TIME

BEING ABLE TO BREAK A COMPLEX TASK INTO SMALLER STEPS

DIFFICULTY WITH
PARTICIPATING IN CLASS
DISCUSSIONS

STUDENTS MAY BE INTELLECTUALLY CAPABLE OF UNDERSTANDING THE MATERIAL BUT MAY HAVE A HARDER TIME INTUITING THE TEACHER'S EXPECTATION FROM THE DIRECTIONS.

SENSORY ISSUES

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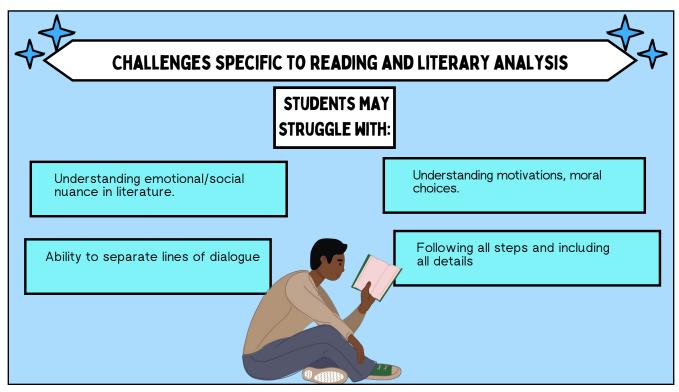
THINGS YOU MAY NOTICE ABOUT NEURODIVERGENT LEARNERS

- Trouble assessing social cues
- Anxiety in social settings
- Has a hard time with the nuances of verbal communication and trouble understanding jokes and sarcasm
- Difficulty speaking in a two-way conversation
- Frustration with even small changes or disruptions
- Would prefer to listen and observe than speak and interact

- Prefers to work at home or away from others
- Avoids stressful social situations such as parties
- Has a hard time tracking when more than one conversation is occurring at once
- Has a tendency to take things literally.
- Often accused of being rude or blunt.
- May have perfectionism in certain areas.
- Ability to "hyperfocus" on work or a specific interest







Neurodivergent students are capable of extraordinary interpretations of literature.

They think in unique and innovative ways.

We need to build on their strengths by providing assignments that involve patterns and details.



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On trying to recognize oneself in fictional characters in literature/drama/etc:

"I don't think I've ever looked! I don't expect fictional characters to seem like me any more than I expect other people to seem like me.

I do like opera where several characters with different motivations are singing contrapunctally – (say the quartet in Rigoletto or the sextette in Lucia di Lammermoor) but not because I recognize anyone's thought processes as similar to mine. It would be like listening to a symphony hoping to identify with the bassoon."

—Ted A. math teacher Neurodivergent



COLOR-CODING

Can be used for highlighting important details in a passage or to assist students when reading lines aloud in class

FIRST WITCH

When shall we three meet again? In thunder, lightning, or in rain?

SECOND WITCH

When the hurly-burly's done,

When the battle's lost and won.

THIRD WITCH That will be ere the set of sun.

FIRST WITCH

Where the place?

SECOND WITCH Upon the heath.

THIRD WITCH

There to meet with Macbeth.

FIRST WITCH I come, Graymalkin.

SECOND WITCH 7 Paddock calls.

THIRD WITCH 7 Anon.

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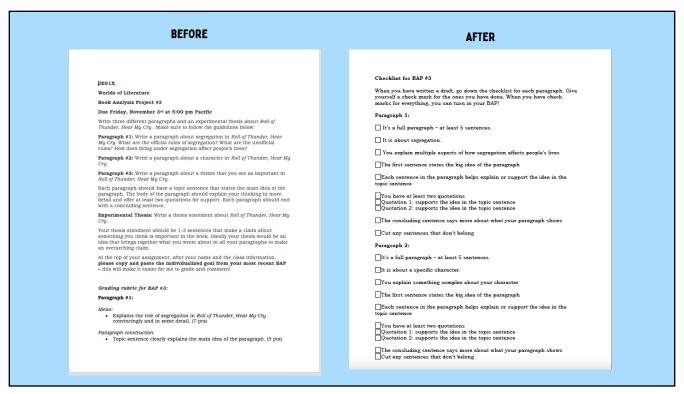
Fair is foul, and foul is fair; Hover through the fog and filthy air

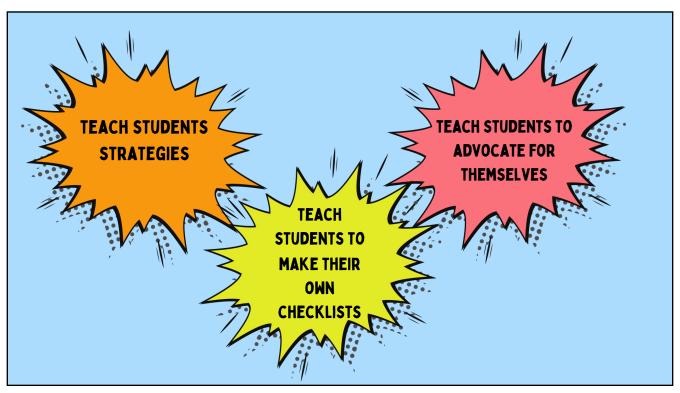


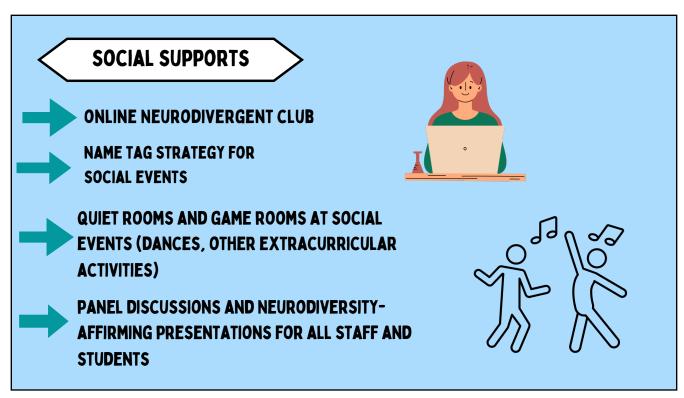
GRAPHIC ORGANIZERS AND CHECKLISTS

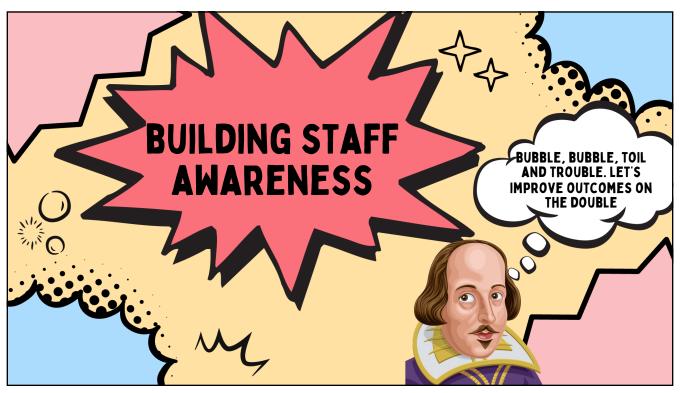
Can be used to organize instructions for assignments into manageable chunks instead of large bodies of text

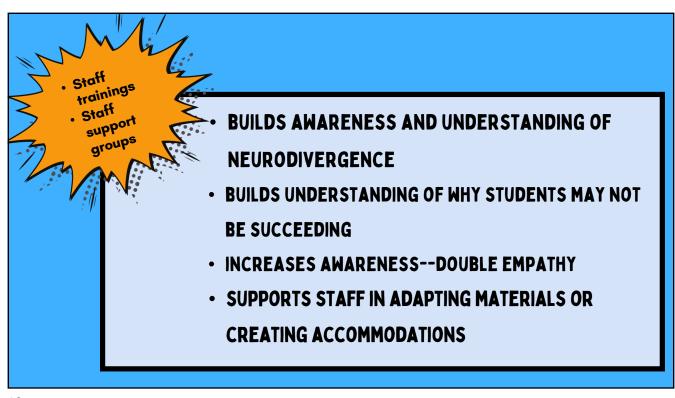
PROCESS CHECKLIST	Check off when done	Notes
1. Choose poem		
2. Choose 5-7 lines,		
phrases, quotes		
Look at formal	Image	
elements:	Metaphor	
	Diction	
	Syntax	
	Line break	
	Rhyme	
	Rhythm	
Identify question	Question is:	
5. Draft answer	Answer is:	
6. Write paragraph		
Paragraph should	Question and answer	
include:	Key details	
	At least 3 quotes	
	Topic sentence	
	Paragraph only covers	
	one main point	











MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES

NEURODIVERGENT TEENS AND ADULTS EXPERIENCE A HIGHER THAN AVERAGE AMOUNT OF MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES, INCLUDING ANXIETY, DEPRESSION, AND SUICIDAL IDEATION.

IT IS CRUCIAL THAT EDUCATORS LEARN TO RECOGNIZE MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES IN STUDENTS AND UNDERSTAND HOW TO SUPPORT NEURODIVERGENT STUDENTS.

