Lesson 2.11 — Review

Overview

Objectives — Students will be able to...

• **Identify** weaknesses in their Unit 2 knowledge.

Assessments — Students will...

• Create a personalized list of review topics to guide tonight's study session.

Homework — Students will...

• Study for tomorrow's test!

Materials & Prep

- Projector and computer
- Whiteboard and marker
- Results from electronic survey of review topics
- Classroom copies of the practice test WS 2.11

Once students have submitted their review requests, assemble those topics into categories and prepare to re-teach the topics as needed.

Pacing Guide

| Section | Total Time |
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| Bell-work and attendance | 5min |
| Introduction and test format orientation | 15 min |
| Test review | $30 \min$ |
| Check student study lists | 5 min |

Procedure

Engage the class in the review session by pointing out that your review topics have been hand selected by the class. Explain that you will review test-taking strategies in addition to reviewing subject matter.

Bell-work and Attendance [5 minutes]

Introduction and Test Format Orientation [15 minutes]

- 1. Clearly indicate that you expect all students to have a list of review topics to study this evening. Periodically remind students that this list will be checked at the end of class.
- 2. Students should already be familiar with the sections of the test, but it doesn't hurt to have students re-read the directions.
- 3. Work through the sample problems on the test as a way of reviewing topics, and answer any questions that students bring up as you go.

Test Review [30 minutes]

- 1. Using the results from the electronic survey, address the various review topics, prioritizing questions that popped up the most.
 - a. Some questions you may already have addressed while working through the sample test.

- b. Be ready for additional questions to pop up as you go. Save yourself the work and use old homework questions and student-generated test questions as examples to work through.
- c. Jot down notes about which topics you covered in review so you can adjust the exam to reflect the topics your students have learned.
- 2. Use a combination of group-solving questions on the whiteboard, think-pair-share, and timed-response as review strategies.
- 3. After you've completed reviewing an idea, remind the class that they should write down that topic if they feel they still have to review it tonight. (Yes, this will be a reminder every few minutes, but it will pay off later when students start creating review lists without prompting later in the year!)

Check student study lists [5 minutes]

Spend the last 5 minutes of class checking each student's review topic list.

Accommodation and Differentiation

In ELL classes, you may want to change code-writing questions to Parsons Problems. Educational research shows a high correlation between Parsons scores and code writing scores, and a low correlation between code writing and tracing and between Parsons and tracing. (In other words, Parsons Problems accurately assess a students' ability to create code.) For more information on Parsons Problems, check out this paper (https://cseweb.ucsd.edu/classes/fa08/cse599/denny.pdf).

Even in a non-ELL class, you may want to change some Section II questions to Parsons problems because (1) grading the questions is easier, since logic and syntax errors are easy to discern, and (2) students challenged by language processing are able to more quickly complete the problem.

If your students are easily completing the programming projects in the week leading to the test, you may want to edit the test by deleting the "fill in the blanks" and leaving empty space.

Forum discussion

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