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Read to Write: Quality Education Fund 2018/19 Project Professional Development Workshop 4

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Date: 23 October 2018 (Tuesday) Time: 2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Venue: Room B5, Ho Tim Building, CUHK Professional Development Workshop 4

**Developing** school-based **Read-to-Write** learning and teaching materials enhanced with self-regulation and e-Learning resources

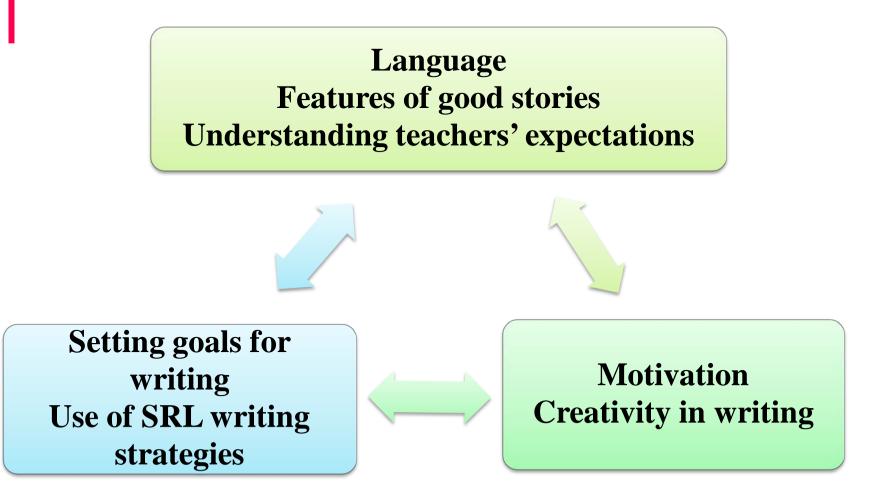
### **Workshop focuses**

- Opening remarks
- Developing *My Reading and Writing Strategy Book*
- □ Sample tasks of Writerly reading and mining a text
- □ Sharing on Sample Project 1 Healthy Eating
- □ Adopting e-Learning in the English classroom
- e-Learning samples Google Sites and Book Creator
- Incorporating self-regulation reading/writing strategies, reading and writing connections and e-Learning tools in Sample Project 2 – Endangered animals
- Developing school-based Read-to-Write projects
- Concluding remarks

# Opening remarks



### **Relationships between important elements for successful writing and use of SRL writing strategies**

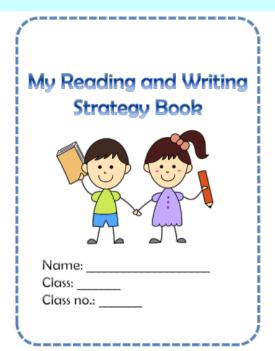




- Teachers should teach self-regulated learning strategies whenever possible.
- Self-regulated reading and writing strategies are recommended in the CDC Curriculum Guide (2017).
- Read-to-write strategies are a new group of self-regulated learning strategies. Teachers need to learn and understand what they are and how they work.
- Show connections between reading and writing explicitly.
- □ Many read-to-write strategies need to be invented.

- Successful reading and writing involve language knowledge, motivation, and use of self-regulated learning strategies (e.g., self-regulated reading and writing strategies, and read-to-write strategies).
- Teachers should try to understand how students solve their reading and writing problems. A problem in language, motivation or self-regulation?
- Teachers should encourage students to learn and apply self-regulated learning strategies.
- Invite successful readers and writers to share their learning methods (e.g., use of self-regulated learning strategies).

### Developing My Reading and Writing Strategy Book



### **Developing** My Reading and Writing Strategy Book

- □ Include some strategies initially, e.g., process of reading and writing, goals of reading and writing, and POW.
- Include many templates without the content, e.g., asking questions, text-connections, organize your thoughts, and stretch a sentence.
- Introduce each strategy with the 4-step method for a clear reason/purpose in the classroom. Let students co-develop the strategy by completing a strategy template in the book.
- □ Remind students to refer to strategies whenever needed.

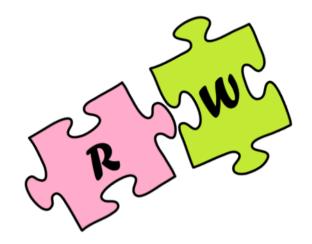
- In the curriculum, have a plan to introduce the strategies in each term/year. What and how many strategies should be included in the strategy book in each grade?
- Teachers and students in each grade teach and learn new strategies. For example, primary 5 students will learn new strategies in primary 5 but will recycle and reuse those learned in primary 4.

# Sharing: Developing the school-based writing strategy book

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## Sample tasks of Writerly reading and mining a text



# Writerly reading

The writerly reader is **making predictions** about what comes next in a text by trying to think as the writer of the text must have been thinking at various points in the development of the text.

### Writerly reading (thinking like a writer while reading)

If I were the writer,

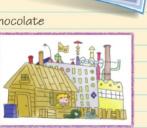
what sentence would come next? what transition word or phrase would I use here to link the previous passage and the next one?

Writerly readers can gain awareness of the linguistic and rhetorical tools they can use while they are writing

### Writerly reading

#### What is the book about?

The book is about a little boy who loves eating chocolate bars. His name is Charlie. Charlie lives near a huge chocolate factory which belongs to a strange man called Willy Wonka. Charlie and four other lucky children win a tour of the factory with Willy Wonka. However some strange things happen to the children during their adventure.





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The next one to get into trouble is Violet. She is a proud girl who does not listen to people's advice. In the inventing room, Mr Wonka shows the children his latest chewing gum. He tells them that it is not ready to eat but Violet ignores him. She turns into a blueberry balloon!



Veruca is a spoilt girl who does not listen to Mr Wonka either. In the nut room, there are a lot of squirrels. Veruca tries to take one of them but they take her away instead.



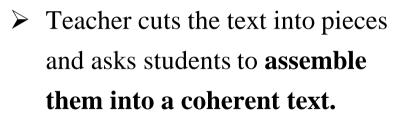
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Finally, the children go to the television-chocolate room which has a big camera and a special TV. Mr Wonka tells them not to go near the camera but Mike is naughty.

What happens to him? He shrinks until he is only 15 centimetres tall.

In the end, Mr Wonka gives a very special prize to Charlie — the keys to the chocolate factory.



- Students make writerly decisions in the reassembly of the text at various levels (e.g., word, sentence and paragraph).
- More able students can compose
  own pieces at the sentence or
  paragraph level to provide linkages
  between given pieces of text.



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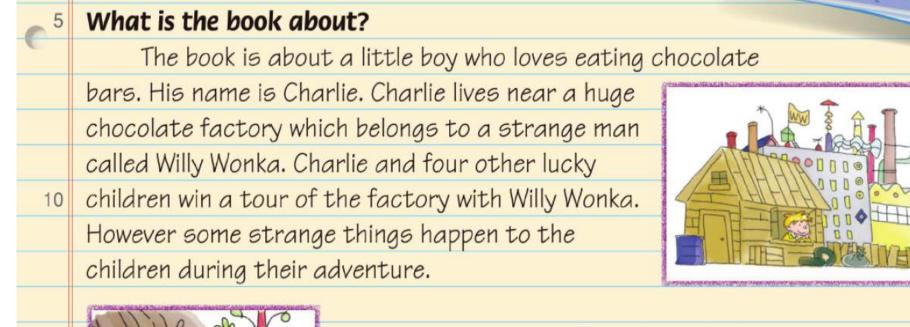
- Ask students to look out for specific rhetorical and linguistic conventions as miners or detectives.
- Move students from passive reading to active search for information from a writer's perspective.
- Ensure students to make contact with the writing elements they need exposure to in order to bring those elements into their own writing in a conscious manner.

### Mining a text

The teacher can ask students to mine the reading text for language features/specific vocabulary items.

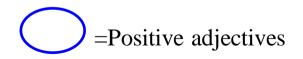
Let us look at some excellent adjectives in the story... such as Charlie lives in a **huge** chocolate factory ... Here I could also use 'enormous'? They are positive adjectives. Pay attention to these adjectives when reading! Collect some of these adjectives! Write them down in the word bank and use them in your own writing!"

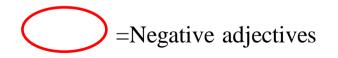
### **Mining for adjectives**





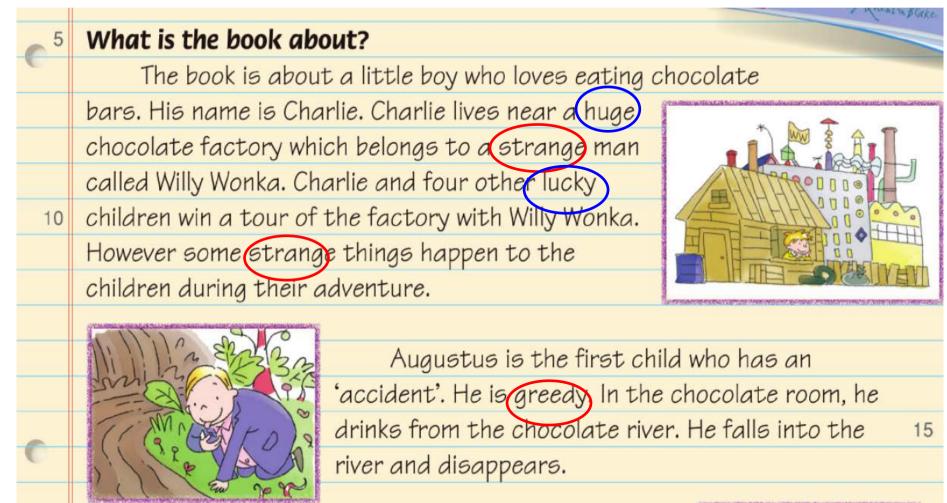
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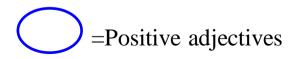


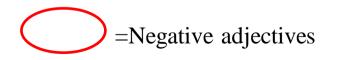


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### **Mining for adjectives**







### **Mining for rhetorical features**

Write a recipe for making a cheese and tomato sandwich

#### Grandma's cookies

#### Ingredients:

- 100 g butter
- 75 g sugar
- 2 tablespoons golden syrup
- 175 g flour
- 100 g chocolate (Use your favourite chocolate bar!)
- 2 tablespoons milk

#### Steps:

- 1 First wash your hands. (Always wash your hands before cooking!)
- 2 Then beat the butter until it is soft.
- 3 After that add the sugar and mix together. Stir in the golden syrup and flour.
- 4 Next pour in the milk and mix well.
- 5 After that chop the chocolate into small pieces and add to the mixture.
- 6 Finally use a teaspoon to put the mixture into the baking tray. Bake in the oven for 8-10 minutes.

#### You need:

- coloured paper or material
- glue

#### Steps

- First use sharp scissors to cut triangles from the paper or material.
- ② Then fold the bottom of the triangles and unfold them again.
- Next put the triangles in a line on a flat surface. Then lay a piece of string along the triangles.
- After that fold the bottom of the triangles over the string. Leave 30 cm of string at each end. Staple the triangles with the string inside.
- (5) You can use glue to stick pictures onto the triangles or draw on them if you wish.

Stall decorations

string

pens

**()** Finally hang the decorations on the stall.

• a stapler

Fold and unfold here.

#### Mining the Texts Worksheet

Read the two texts and answer the following questions.

1. What common features can you notice about the two texts? Discuss with your classmates.

Common features	Examples	Common features	Examples
		• Two parts in the text	• Ingredients and steps
		• Use of action words	<ul><li>Wash your hands</li><li>Beat the butter</li></ul>
		• 'to' is used to show purpose	• Use sharp scissors to cut triangles
		• Use of sequence words	• First, Then, After that

# Sharing on Sample Project 1: Healthy eating



### Reading strategies

- Predicting
- Using picture clues
- Constructing mind maps
- Text connections
- Read, write, pair and share
- Self-reflection (3-2-1 reflection)

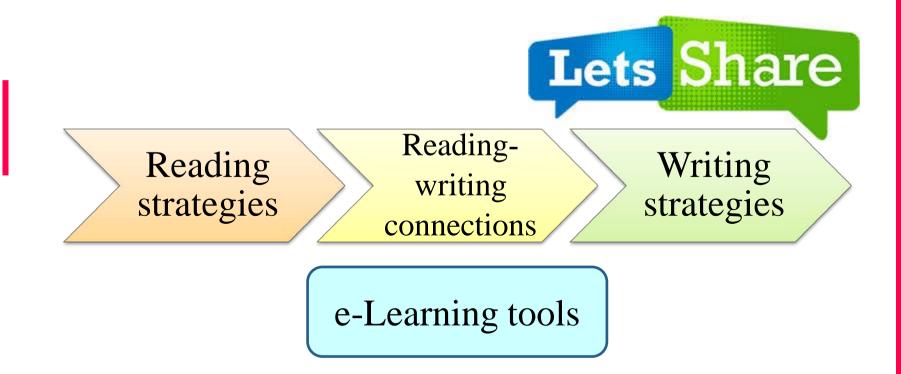
# Reading-writing connections

- Previewing the writing task to be performed following the reading activities
- Linking the reading and writing tasks to the literacy tasks students perform in other settings
- Raising awareness of how reading supports writing
- Writerly reading
- Writing about reading
- Talking about reading and writing experiences

# Writing strategies

- Setting goals
- Organising ideas (Hamburger Writing Organiser)
- Planning
- Drafting
- Stretching a sentence
- Revising (ARMS)
- Editing (CUPS)
- Peer review
- Self-reflection (3-2-1 reflections)





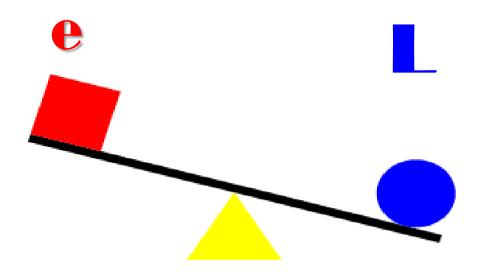
- > Which strategy/task/tool do you think is effective and why?
- Which strategy/task/tool would you like to try out and why?
- How can you adapt the strategy/task/tool to cater for the needs of your students?

# Sharing: Using eTools to enhance teaching & learning

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# Adopting e-Learning in the English Classroom

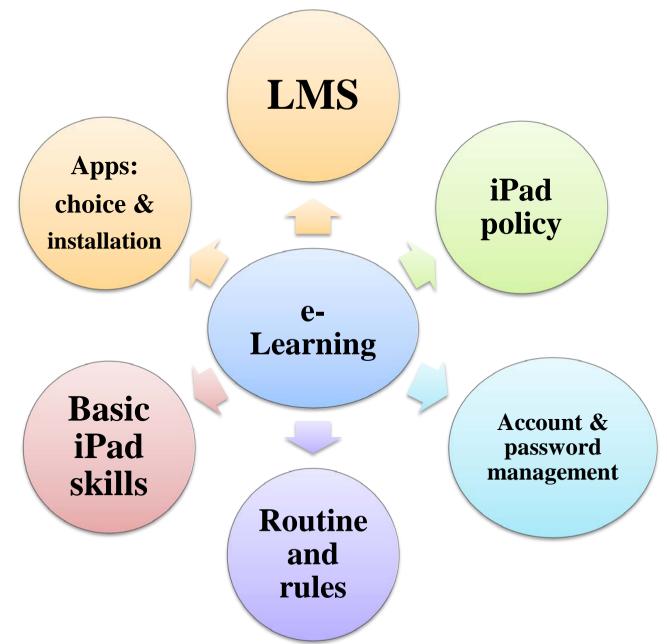






#### Enhancement Technology acts as a direct tool Substitution substitute with no functional change. Technology acts as a direct tool Augmentation substitute with functional improvements. Technology allows for **significant task** Transformation Modification redesign. Technology allows creation of new Redefinition task previously inconceivable.

### **Setting the scene for e-Learning**



# e-Learning samples: Google Sites and Book Creator





#### Home Our goals Learning materials 🗸 Our achievements Useful links 🔍

#### Welcome to the class website of 4A!

**Class news** 

Made with the new Google Sites, an effortless way to create beautiful sites.

Report abuse

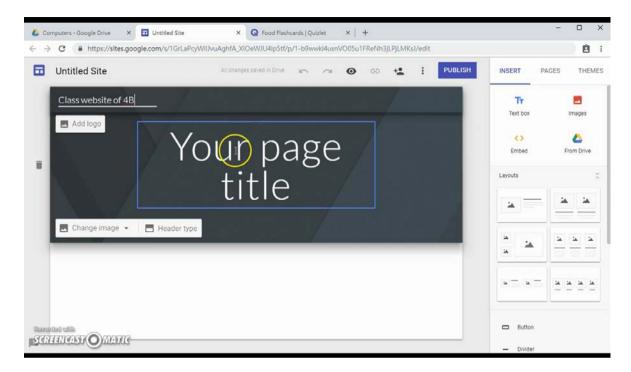
https://sites.google.com/view/classwebsiteof4a



- Easily create and maintain a website
- Does not require any knowledge of URL and programming language
- Insert text, images, YouTube videos, Docs, Slides, Forms, etc.
- Free of charge
- A good tool for setting up a class/subject website
- Anyone with the link can view your site, including your colleagues, students and even their parents

### How to create a Google site?

#### Watch this video:





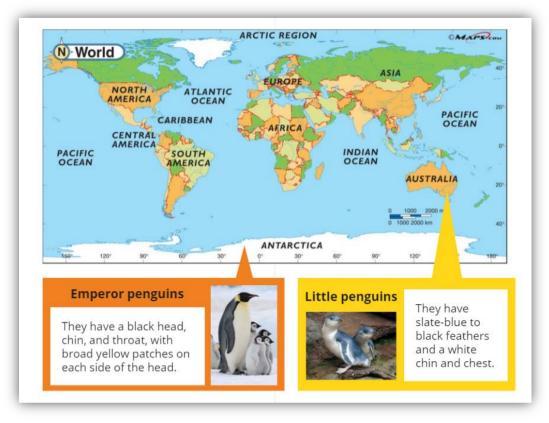


### **BOOK CREATOR**

- A simple tool to create and share e-books
- Combine text, images, audio and video
- Unleash students' creativity
- Turn reading and writing into an interesting and collaborative project



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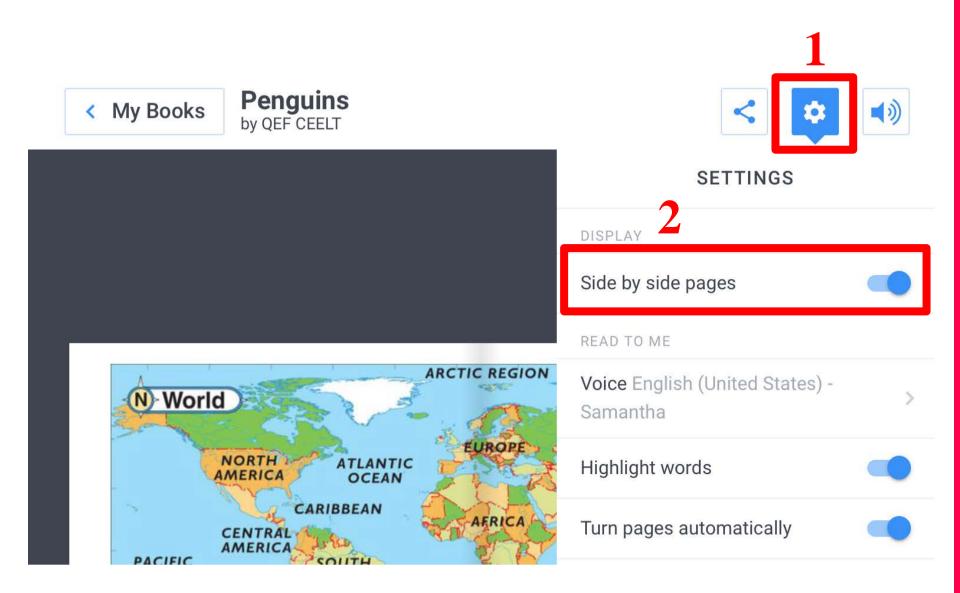


#### To log in using the QR code:

Use the QR code reader of Google Chrome







### Sample Project 2: Endangered animals



### Activity

#### **Background information**

Level: P5

Theme: Endangered animals



- Learning objectives: Students are going to
  - 1) read and learn how to write a brochure,
  - 2) gather information about endangered animals, and
  - 3) create a brochure.

Reading material: Penguins (An information text)

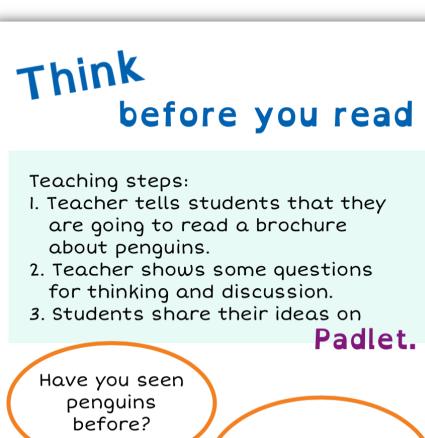
Writing task: A brochure introducing an endangered species

### Activity



- Discuss in your group what strategies (reading/ writing/ reading-writing connection) you would like to introduce to students.
- Then, discuss what e-learning tools can be used to facilitate the teaching and learning of the chosen strategies.
- Present your ideas in the form of an e-poster.

#### Example



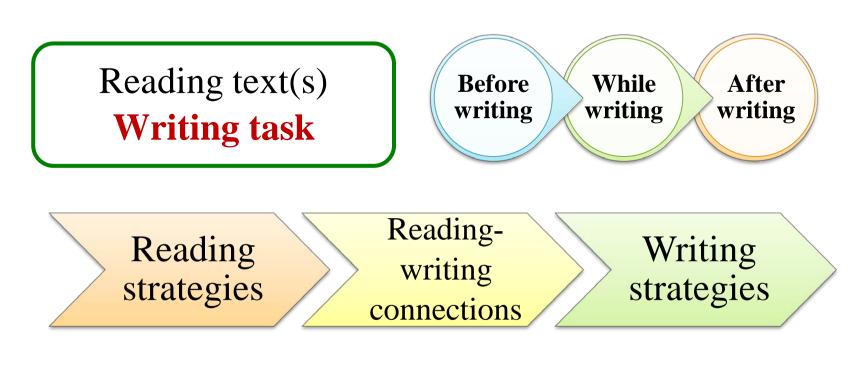
Have you read any books about penguins before?

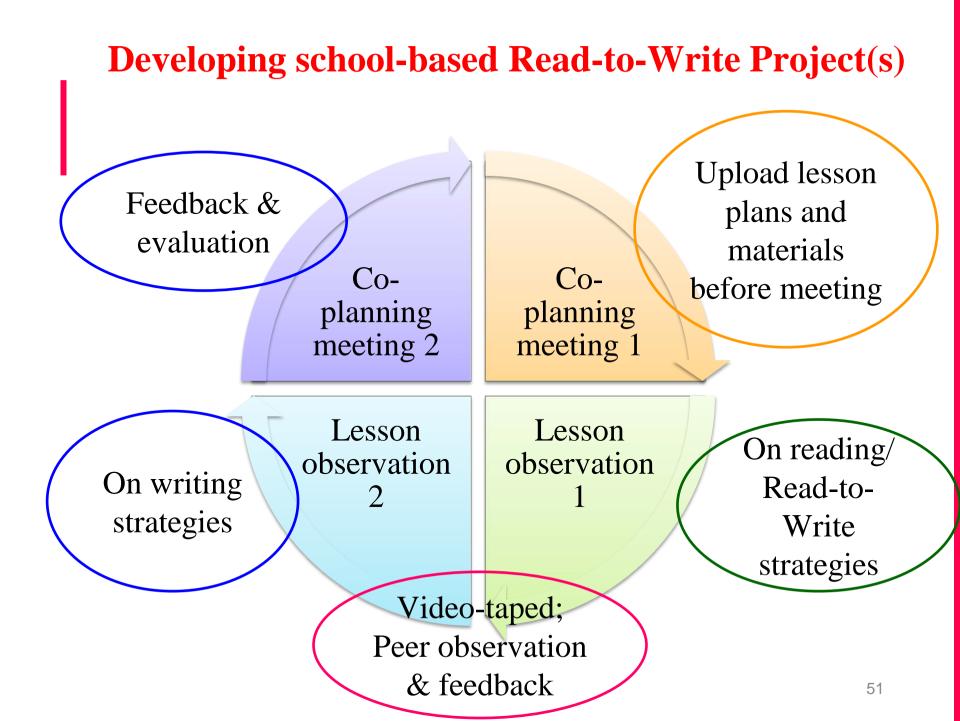
What do you know about penguins?

### Developing school-based Read-to-Write projects



#### **Developing school-based Read-to-Write Project(s)**





### Concluding remarks



# For the Read-to-Write Project to make a positive impact on students' learning,

- Keep exploring and trying out different reading/ writing strategies and reading-writing connections in reading and writing lessons.
- Develop the strategy book together with the students.
- Raise students' awareness on SRL strategy use on a regular basis.



- Explore effective e-Learning tools for different writing stages.
- Have a plan for SRL strategies to be included in the curriculum.

## Questions and answers



My Reading and Writing Strategy Book
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#### Sample Project 1



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