C3 Framework	Stripling Model of	Inquiry Skills and Stratogies
Inquiry Arc	Inquiry Process	Inquiry Skills and Strategies
	Connect: Initiating Inquiry	 Connect to own experience Connect to ideas of others Connect to previous knowledge and verify its accuracy Gain background and context
Dimension 1 Developing Questions and Planning Inquiries	Wonder: Generating Questions	 Develop wonder question that will lead to new understandings about key ideas Frame questions using different levels of thinking with a push to higher levels (e.g. asking "Why?" and "How?" in addition to asking "What?") Develop question to lead to active investigation and decision-making not passive information gathering Make predictions and hypotheses based on prior knowledge and background information. Predict answers to wonder questions and what type of information will answer the questions
Dimension 2: Applying Disciplinary Concepts and Tools	Investigate: Gathering Information	 Plan investigation and develop search strategies to find relevant, high-quality information Identify evaluate and use multiple sources of information Find and evaluate information to answer questions. Paraphrase, summarize, interpret and evaluate information. Find and evaluate main ideas and supporting and conflicting evidence. Select information to keep or discard. Consider author's point of view. Take notes using a variety of formats Use information and technology responsibly Think about the information to formulate new question, hypotheses
Dimension 3: Evaluating Sources and Using Evidence	Construct: Deepening Understanding and Finalizing Inquiry	 Organize information to detect relationships among ideas Draw inferences justified by the evidence Think about the information to test predictions and hypotheses Compare evidence and pattern in data Use evidence to construct reasonable explanations Recognize authors' points of view and consider alternative perspectives Construct clear and appropriate conclusions based on evidence Connect new understandings to previous knowledge
Dimension 4: Communicating Conclusions and Taking Informed Action	Express: Developing and Communicating Evidence-Based Perspectives	 Apply new understandings to new context and new situation – create product to demonstrate new understanding Select format based on needs of topic and audience Communicate clearly both main and supporting points in product Use the writing process to develop product Evaluate and revise product based on self-assessment and feedback from others Express new ideas or take action to share learning with others
	Reflect	 Set high and clear standards for own work Reflect with others Use criteria to assess own process and product throughout the learning. Make revisions when necessary Reflect on own learning to be clear about the change in understanding Ask new questions, set new goals for learning

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