

Group project in cognitive apprenticeship

Based on the article you read for today, plan a learning experience of the cognitive apprenticeship type for a class of students attending an ordinary public school. Try to plan something you feel you could actually use in your future classroom. On another sheet of paper, answer the following questions:

1. What have you chosen to teach to whom?
2. Describe your plan for teaching it. Please be specific enough that I could use your directions to teach this experience.
3. Answer the following questions about your plan:
 - A. What is the **authentic task** the students will accomplish?
 - B. Based on the age and probable experience of the students, what part of this task will need to be **scaffolded** for them, and how will it be?
 - C. Considering the likely range of skill and experience of the students, how does your plan allow for **additional scaffolding** for those who need it, and by whom?
 - D. How and by whom will (cognitive and/or physical) elements of the task be **modeled** for the learners?
 - E. How and from whom will **coaching** be available when students are "stuck" or confused?
 - F. Does your plan include a means of **fading** out the coaching and/or scaffolding as students become increasingly competent?