

# Hybrid Spaces & Third Places



**For Scientizing with Mobile, Wearable, & Community Technologies**

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# ① Intro & Goals



BodyVis



NatureNet



Science Everywhere

## ② Hybrid Spaces

## ③ Third Places

## ④ Future Work

*Learning Sciences &  
HCI Researcher*

① Intro & Goals



# Participatory Design with Children

Druin, 2002



# Seeing the World through Scientific Lenses

A hand is holding a magnifying glass over an orange ball with black lines, which is resting on a gravel path. The background is a grassy area with some dry leaves. The magnifying glass is positioned to enlarge the ball, making it the central focus of the image.

Finding practical  
applications

Using Science to  
Achieve goals

**Scientizing** daily life activities

Procedural & Conceptual  
Understanding

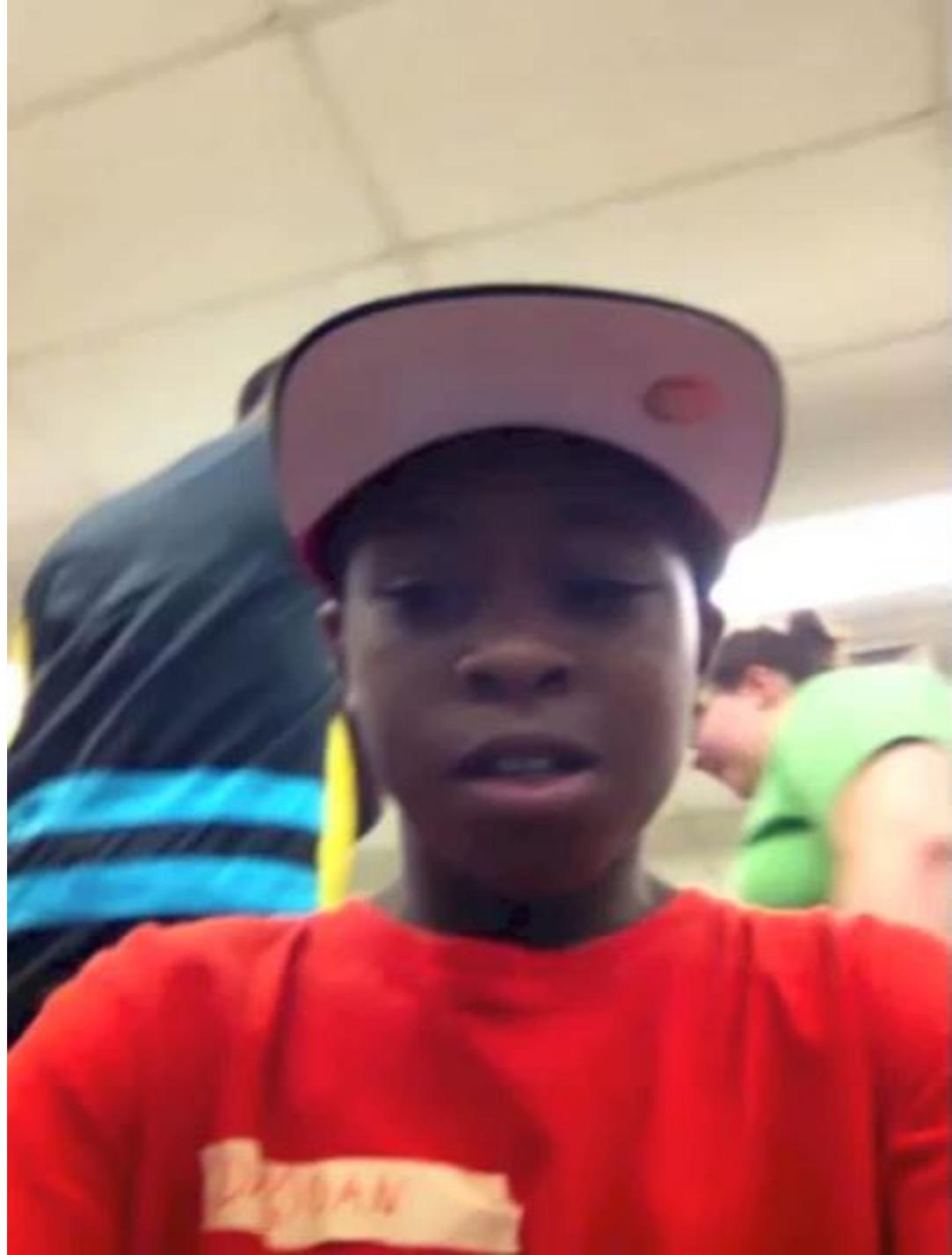
Interest

Social Interactions

Personal  
Connections

**Building Blocks**  
to disposition development

# Potential of New Media for Scientizing



**How can mobile,  
wearable, and  
community  
technologies  
support  
scientizing in  
everyday life?**

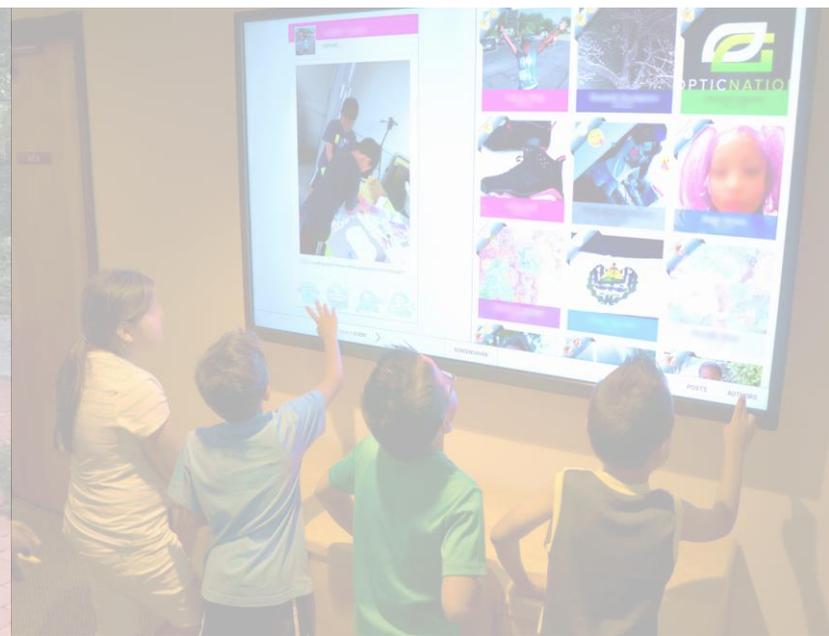


# ① Intro & Goals





BodyVis



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## Hybrid Spaces

Ways hybrid spaces for wearable-based inquiry can be designed to support scientizing

ADVANCING SCIENCE LEARNING & INQUIRY EXPERIENCES THROUGH WEARABLES

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# Hybrid Spaces

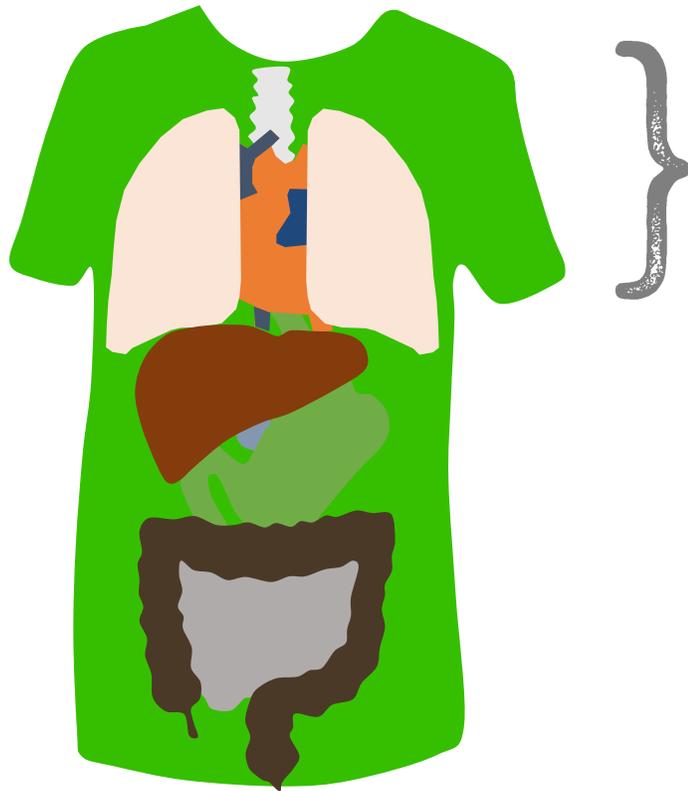


Learning environments that integrate aspects of learners'

Home cultures

Individual interests

Scientific practices



What if our clothes revealed how our body's **functioned**?

How could this **change** the way **children learn** about and understand their bodies?

Could a t-shirt be a **platform** for **experimentation** and **inquiry**?

# BodyVis

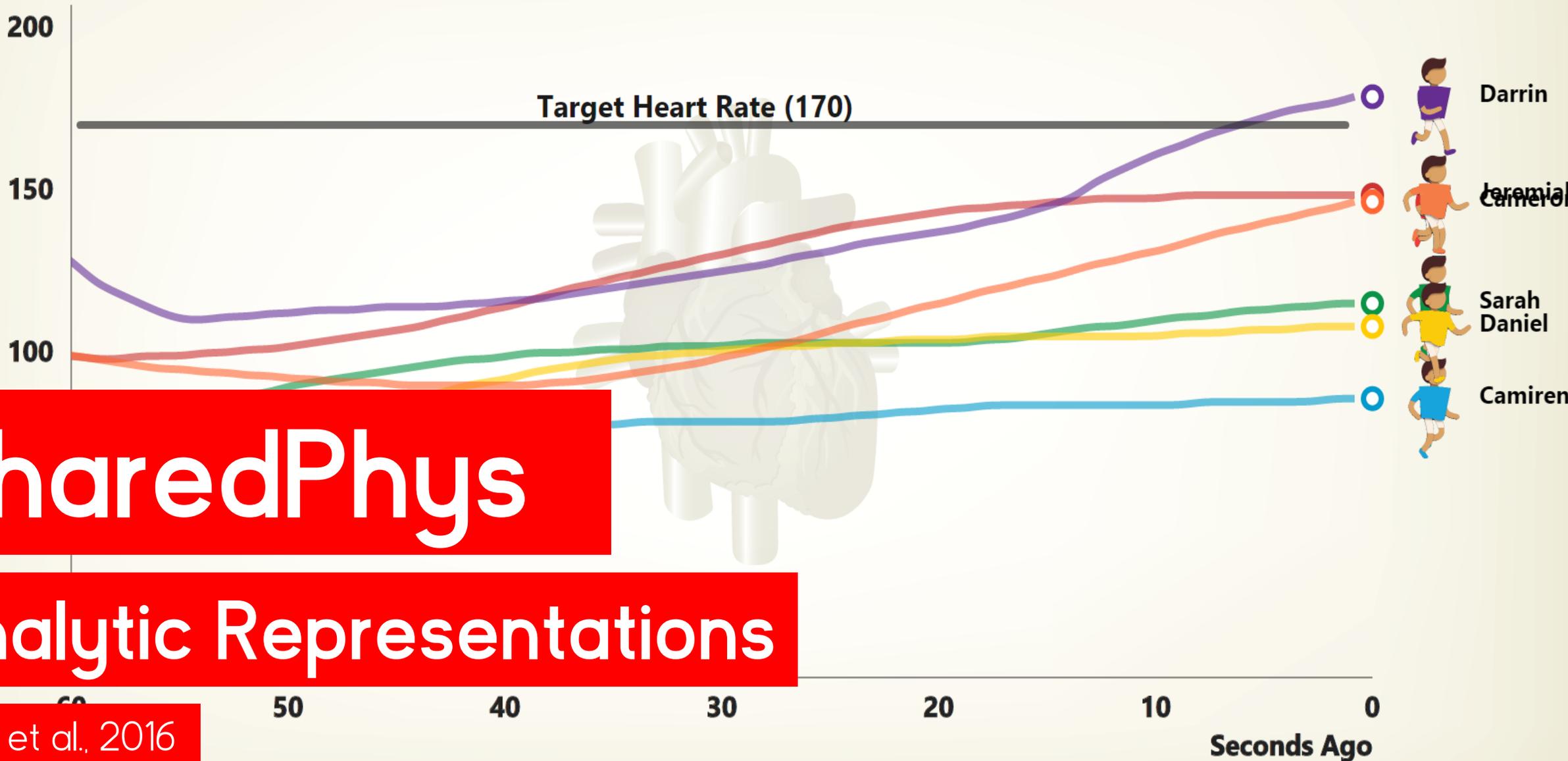
Live Physiological Sensing and Visualization Tools

# Two LPSV Tools





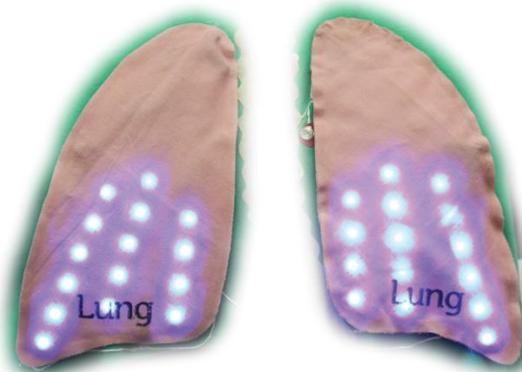
# Heart Rate



SharedPhys

Analytic Representations

# Moving Graphs



# BodyVis

## Model-based Representations

Norooz et al., 2015; Norooz et al., 2016



Snack time! →

Esophagus

Heart

Lung

Lung

Liver

Large Intestine

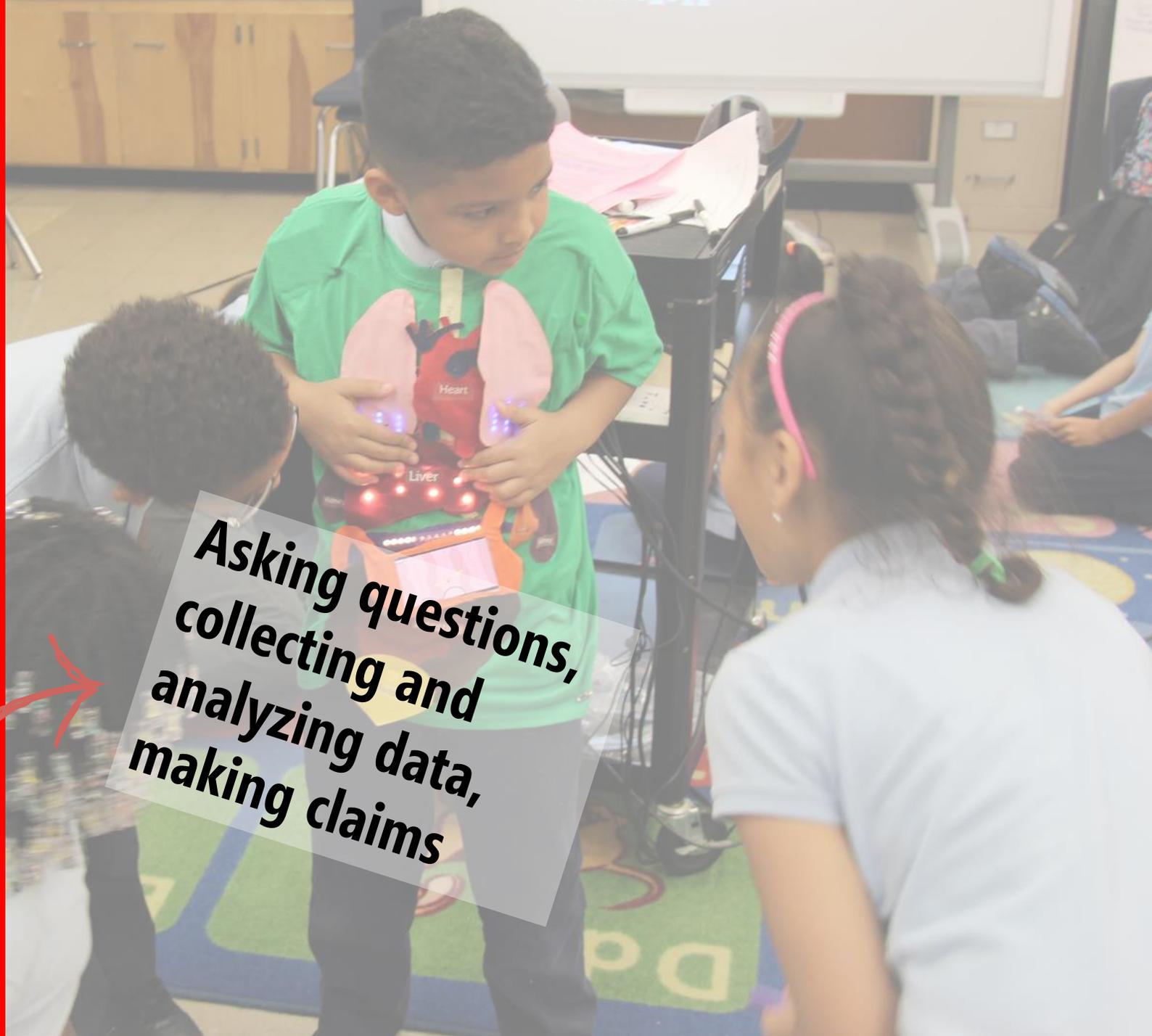
Small Intestine



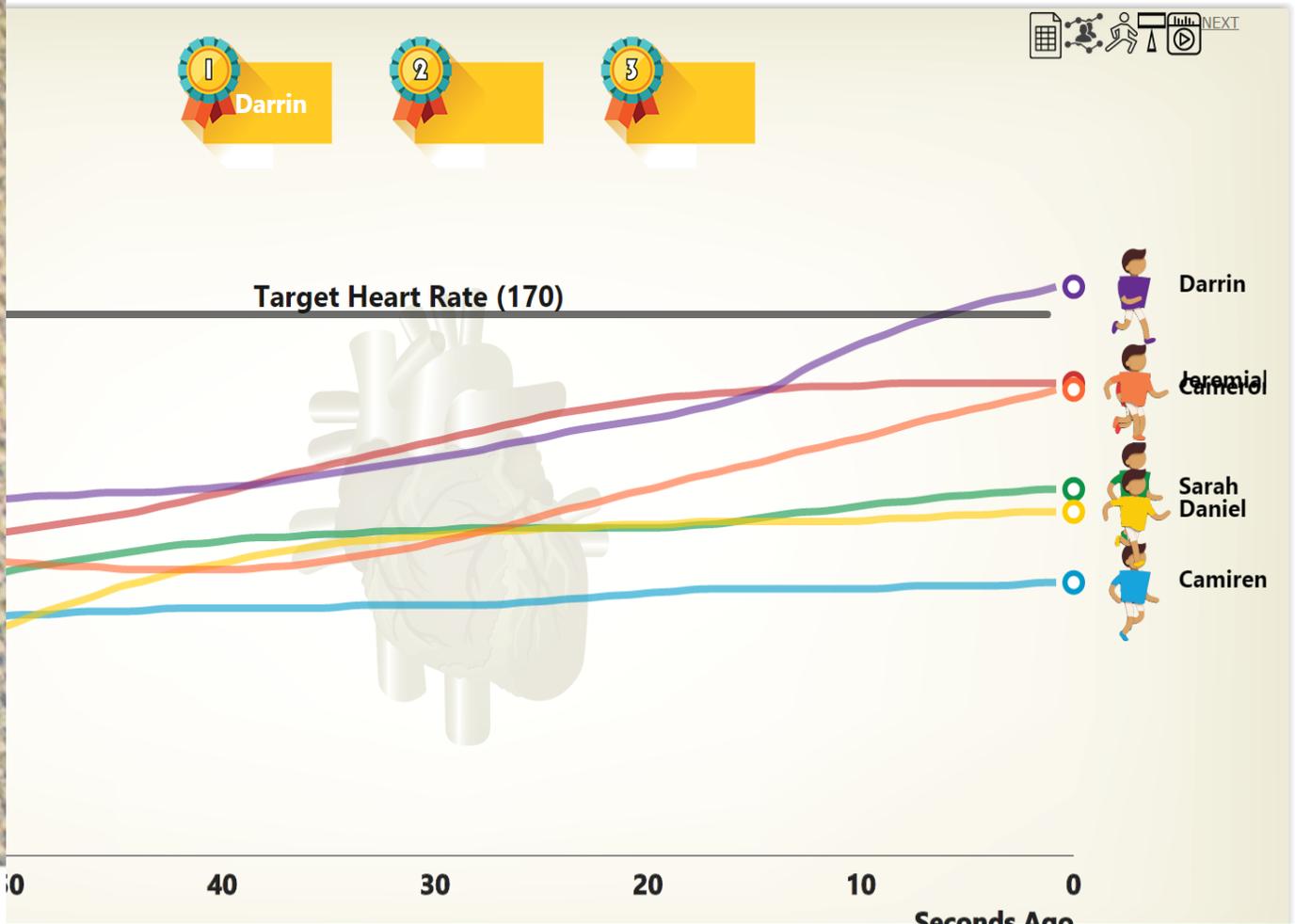
# Leveraging the Body as a Platform for Inquiry



# Leveraging the Body as a Platform for Inquiry



Asking questions,  
collecting and  
analyzing data,  
making claims



Home cultures & Individual Interests

Scientific practices

# Hybrid Spaces

Norooz et al., 2016

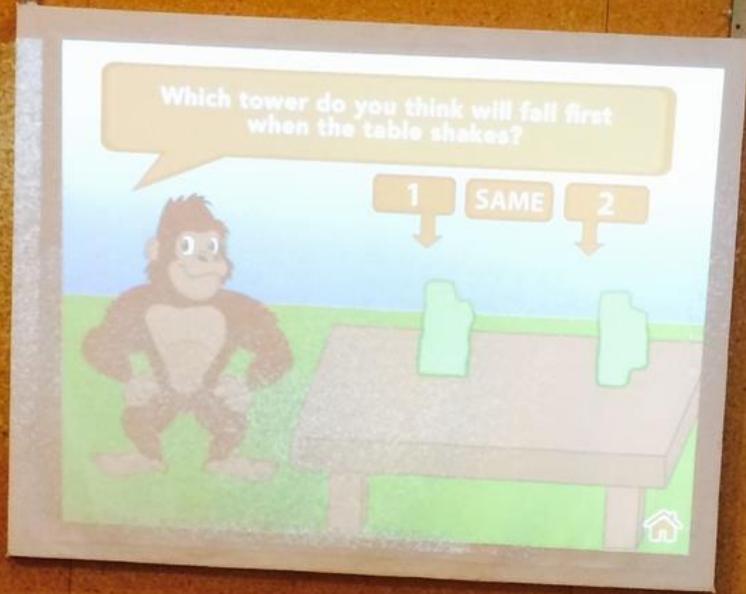
# Sensor Based Learning Potential



Inquiry and Conceptual Learning

Interests, Goals, Dispositions  
Towards Science

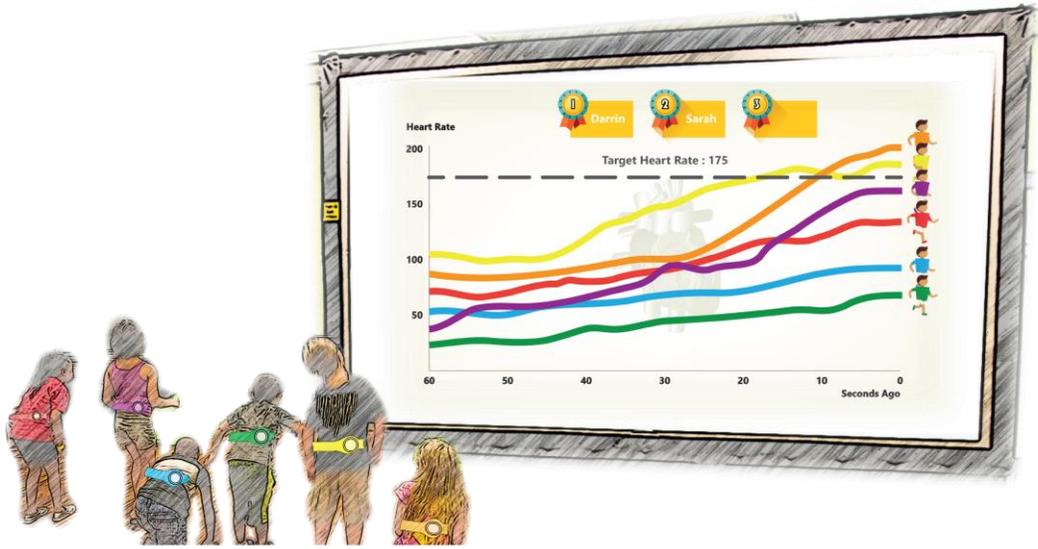
E.g., Gallagher & Lindgren, 2015; Nemirovsky, Tierney, & Wright, 1998; Tinker, 1996



Lab Based

Pre & Post Test Analysis

Shorter-term Assessments



# Four Day Evaluation

1<sup>st</sup> Grade

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

4<sup>th</sup> Grade



# Learning Activities for LPSV Tools

## Participatory Design



LPSV

# Ecosystems



Support for Scientific Inquiry

Within and Across Grade Levels

Classroom Context

# Activity Theory

LPSV tools & Supporting  
Artifacts

Subjects

Life-Relevant  
Object  
Scientific Inquiry

Classroom Rules  
Governance

Social Context  
Collaboration

Division of Labor  
Facilitator Roles

E.g., Engeström, Miettinen, & Punamäki, 1999; Nardi, 1996

# Activity Theory

LPSV tools & Supporting Artifacts

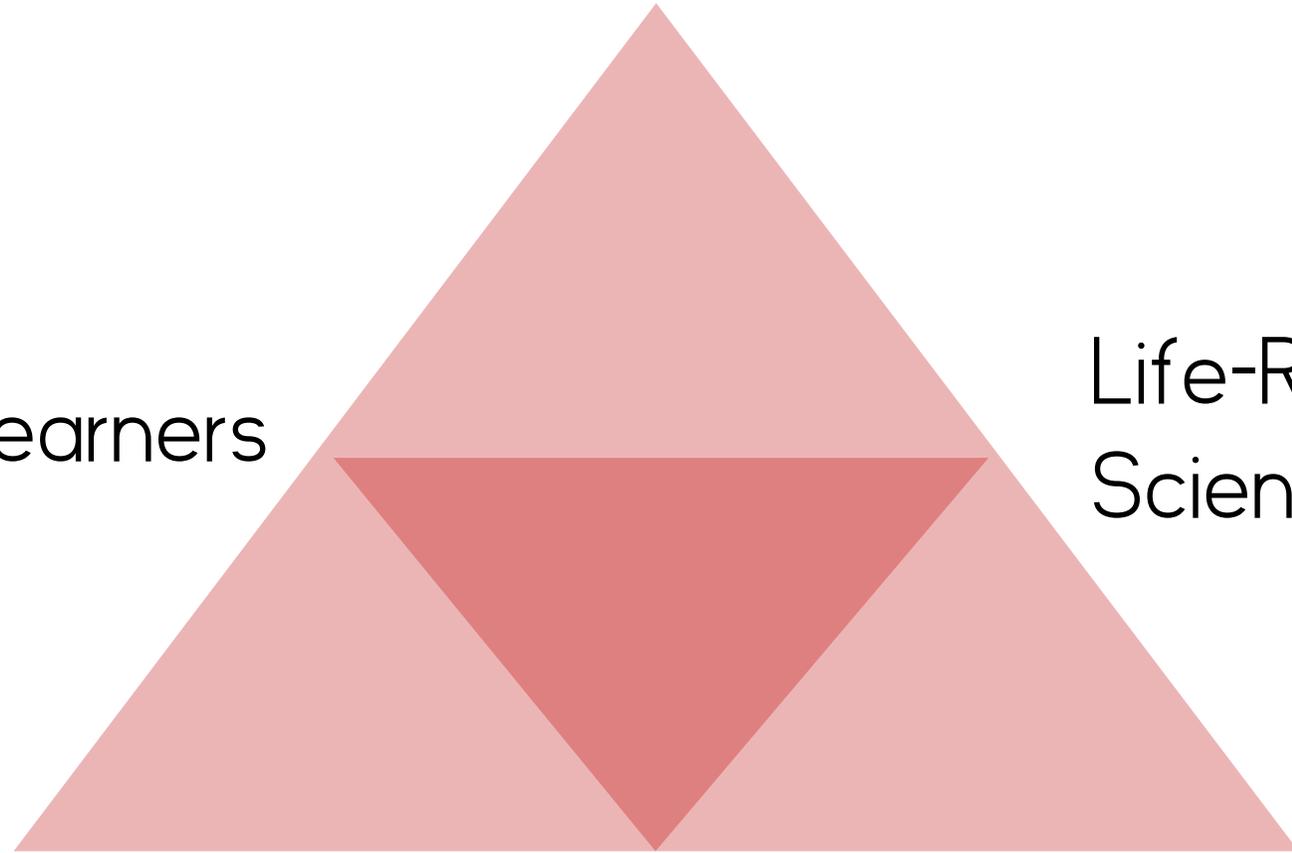
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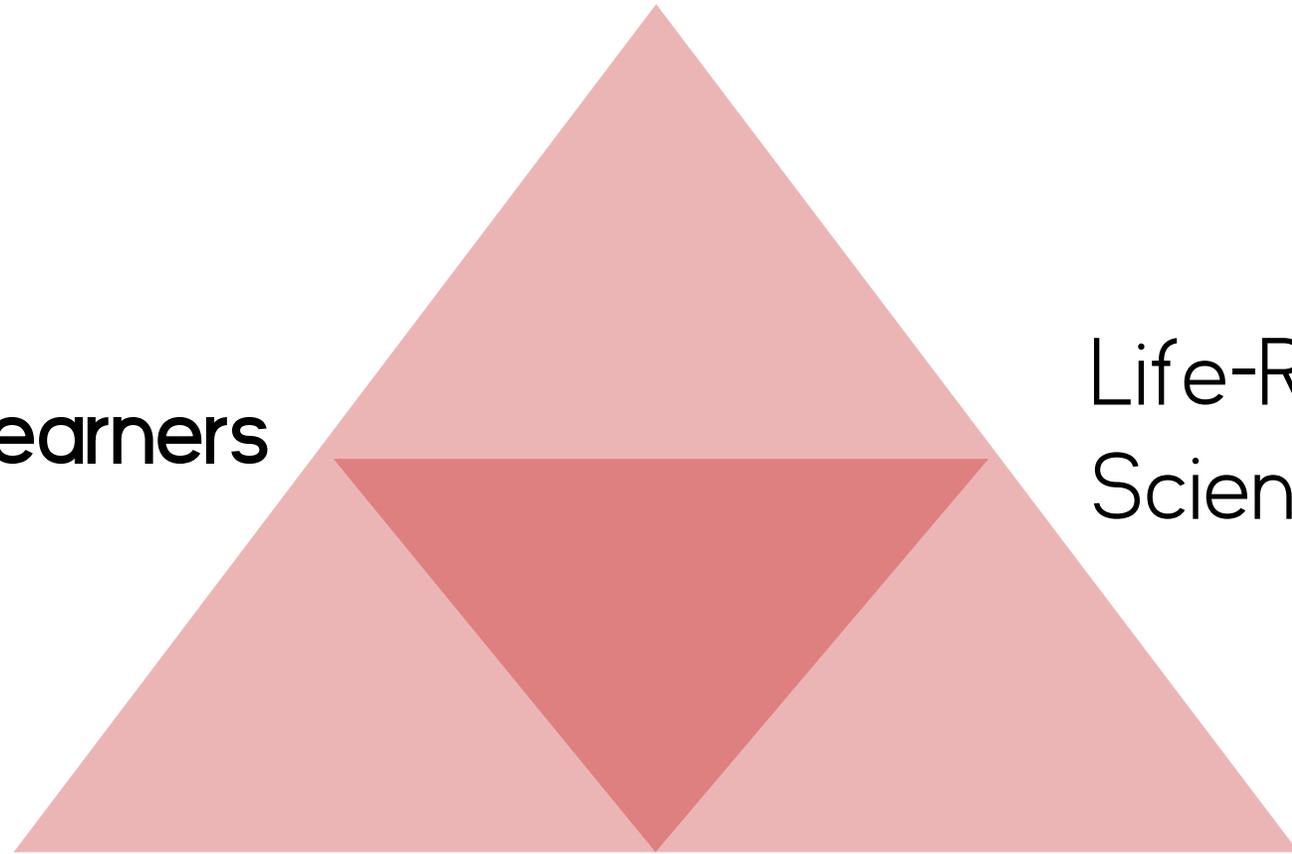
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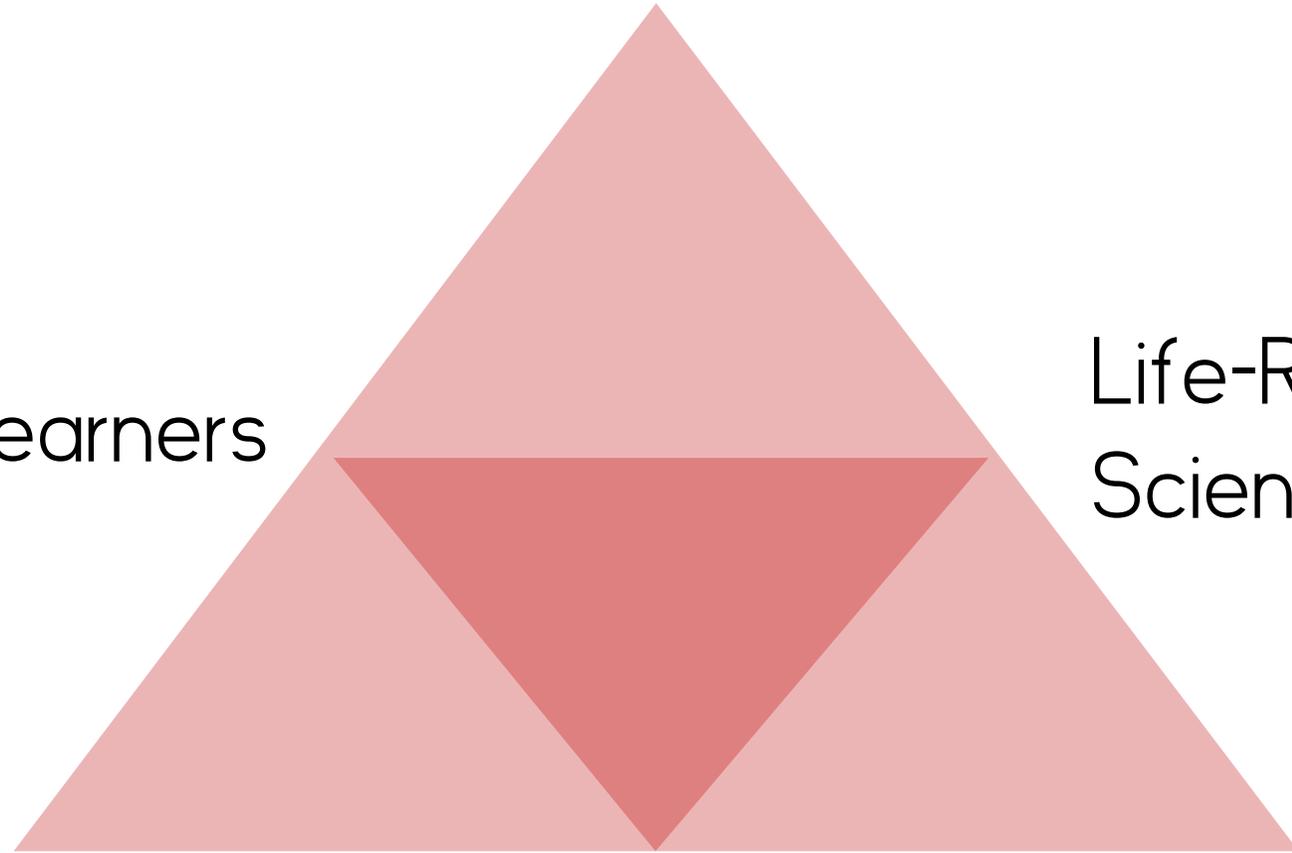
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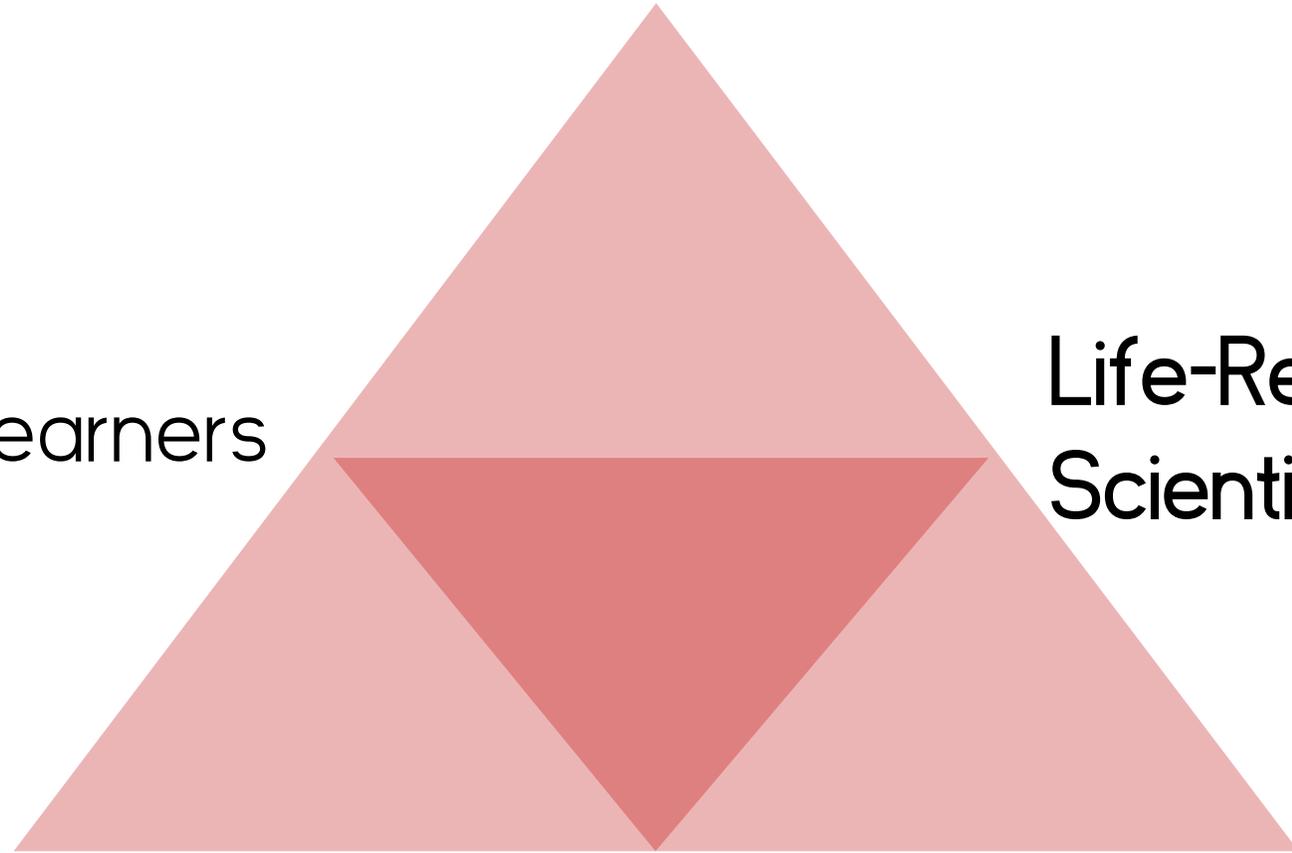
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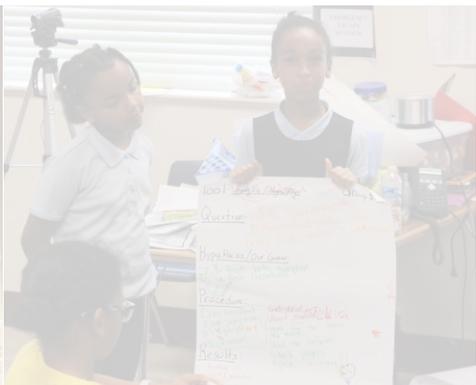
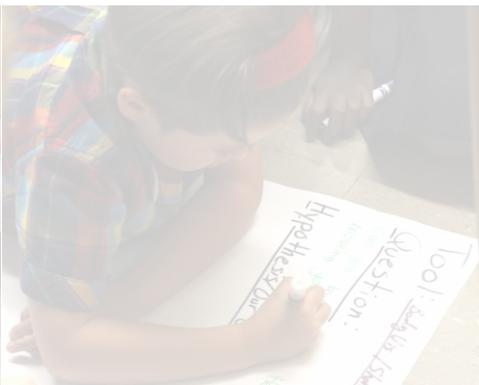




# How the Components of the Ecosystem Come Together

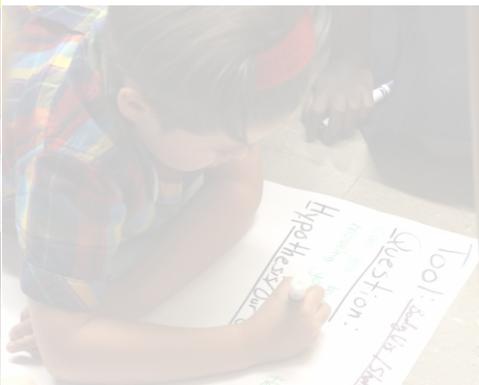
# Day 1: Play and Discovery

Children **discussed questions** and engaged in **free-form exploration** with the tools in a scavenger hunt.



# Day 2: Exploring Physical Activities

Children **brainstormed physical activities** with BodyVis. They then **tested their hypotheses** with SharedPhys.



# Day 3: Science Experiments

Children **planned scientific investigations** of their choosing with **BodyVis** or **SharedPhys**.



# Day 4: Presentations

Children **presented** their choice-based investigations.

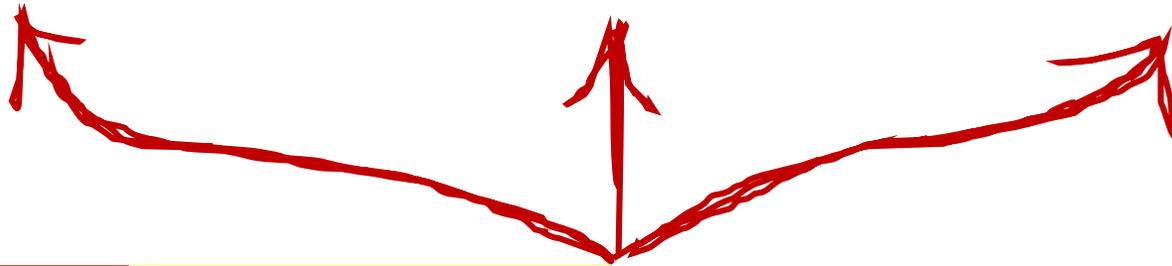


# 4-Day Workshops

1<sup>st</sup> Grade

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

4<sup>th</sup> Grade



# Participants

Urban public  
elementary  
school

68% African-American

23% Latino/Hispanic

3% Asian

2% Caucasian

3.5% Mixed Race

65.6% Free & Reduced  
Lunch

# Participants (Total)

62  
Participants



27 Female



24 Male

Undisclosed 11

24 1<sup>st</sup> Graders

17 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders

21 4<sup>th</sup> Graders

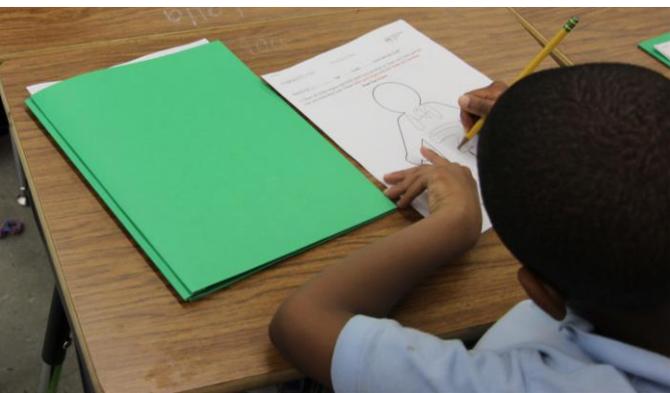


Video Data

# Teacher Interviews



Supporting Artifacts



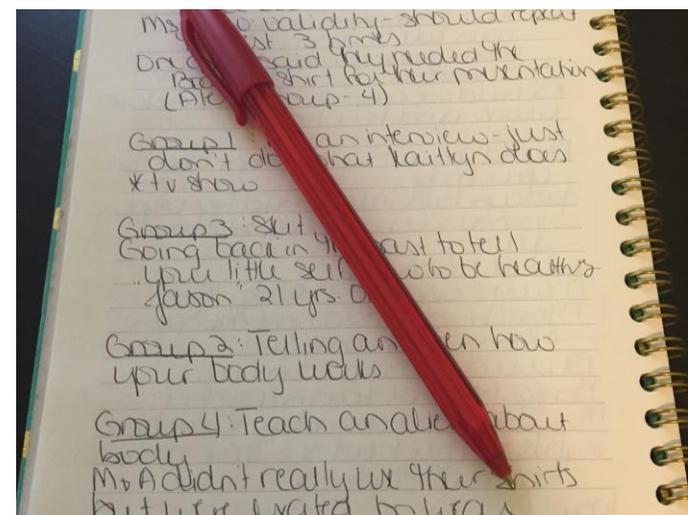
Pre & Post Assessments



Facilitator Post Observation Field Notes



Child Focus Groups





## Video Data

Types of Interactions with Artifacts & Motivations,

Life-relevant Experiences

Scientific Inquiry Experiences



Video Data

Teacher Interviews



Supporting  
Artifacts



Pre & Post  
Assessments

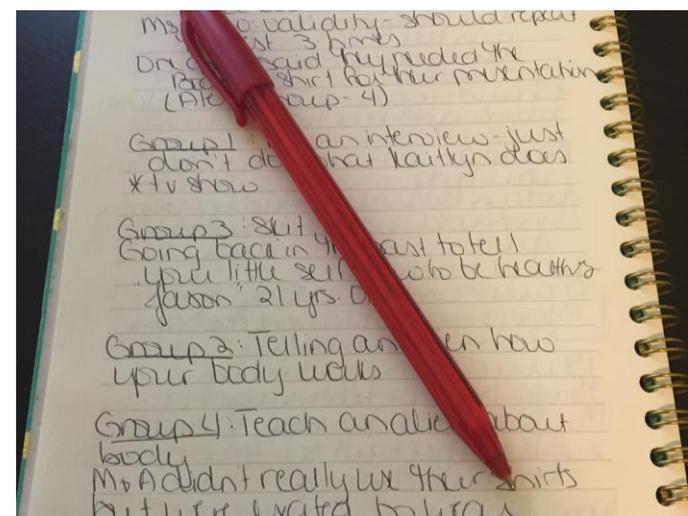


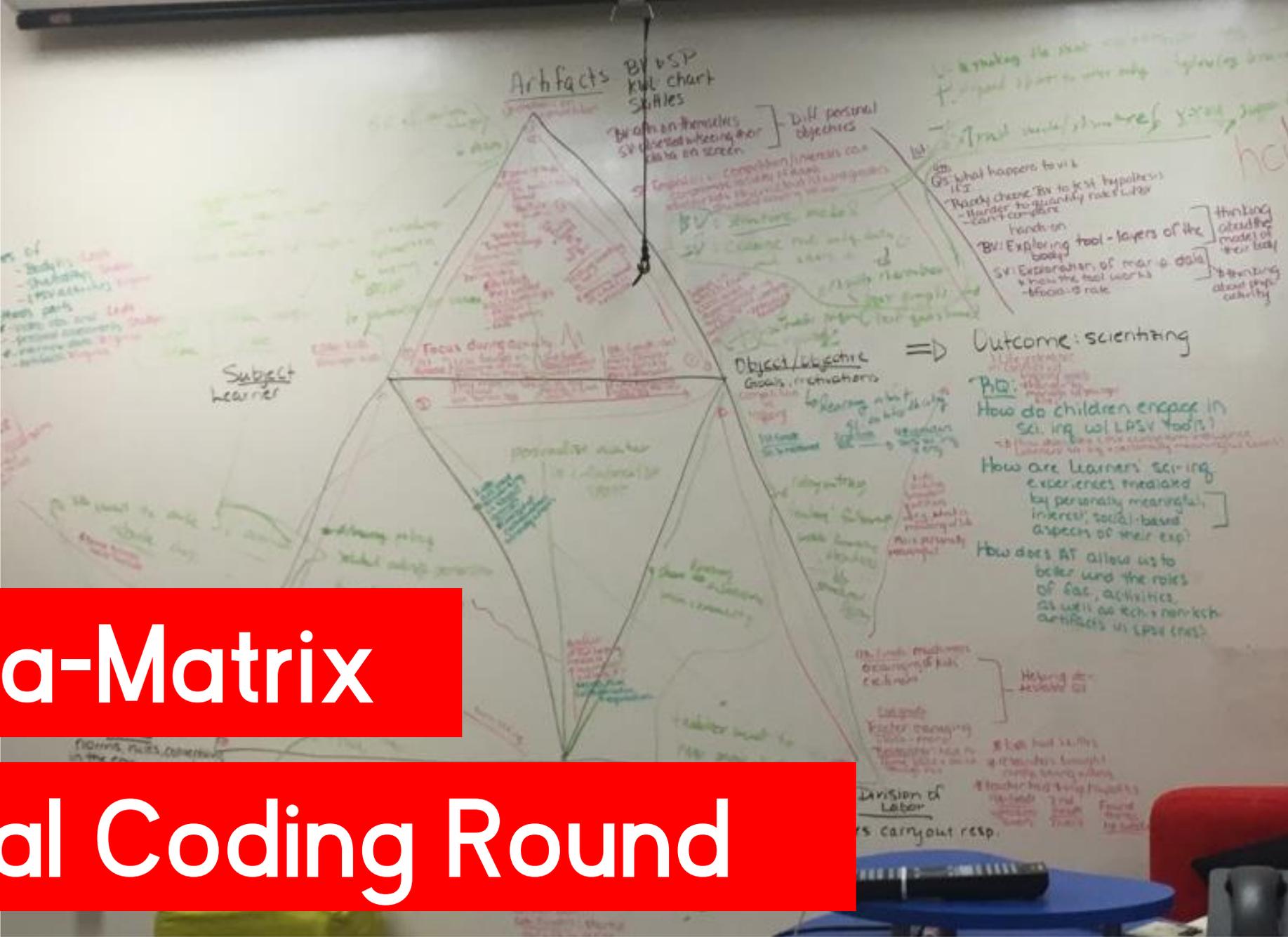
Child Focus  
Groups

Facilitator Post  
Observation Field  
Notes



Saldaña, 2015





# Meta-Matrix

# Axial Coding Round

# Findings

Scientific Inquiry

Life-relevant Connections

# Findings

## Scientific Inquiry

Differences Between Grade Levels

Role of Facilitators and Teachers

Importance of Space

## Life-relevant Connections

Personal and Social Connections

Leveraging the Environment

Touching and Sensitive Topics

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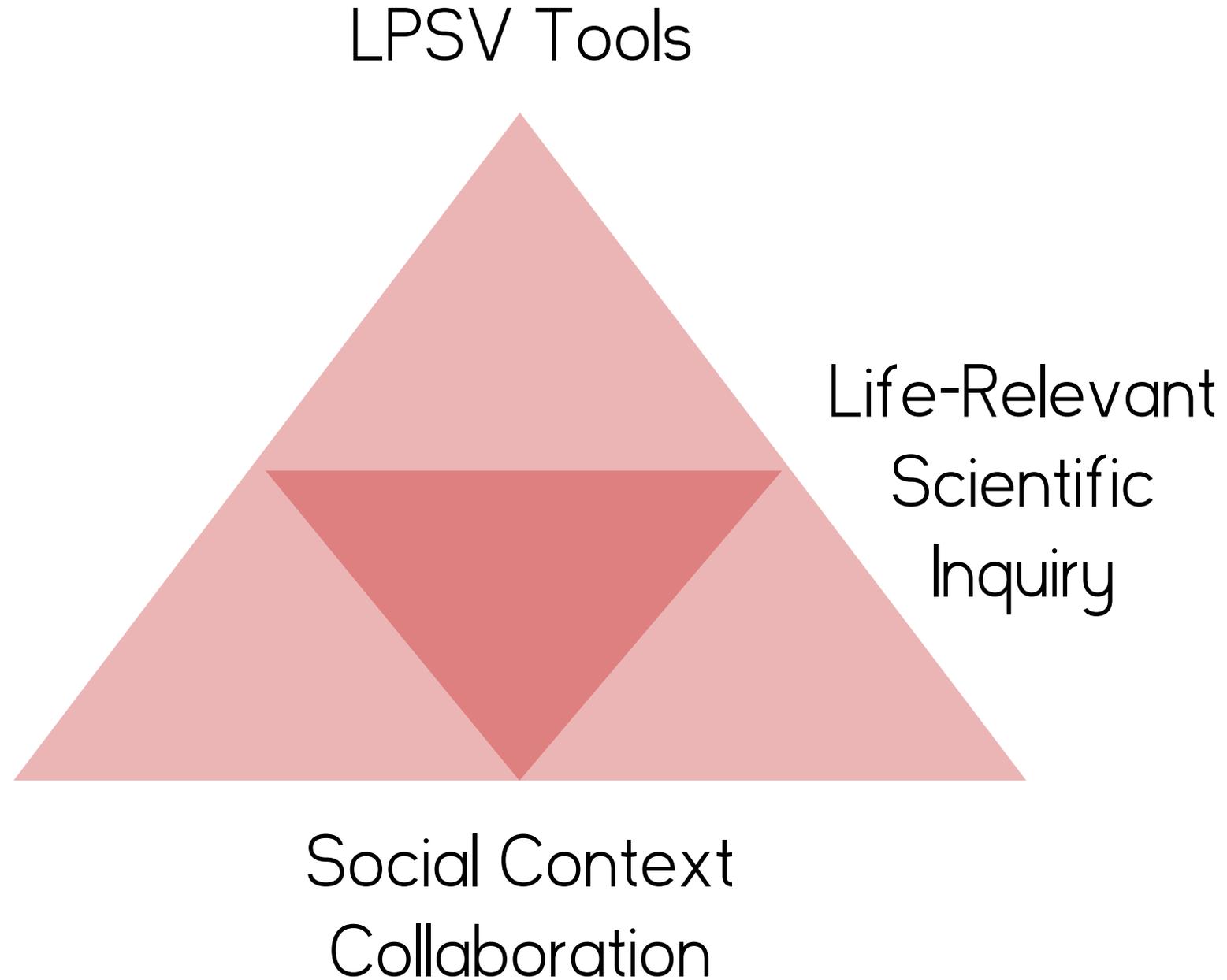
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Scientific Inquiry



# Difference Between Grades



**1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders**  
Focused on the **Model-**  
**based Representations**





62% 4<sup>th</sup> Graders

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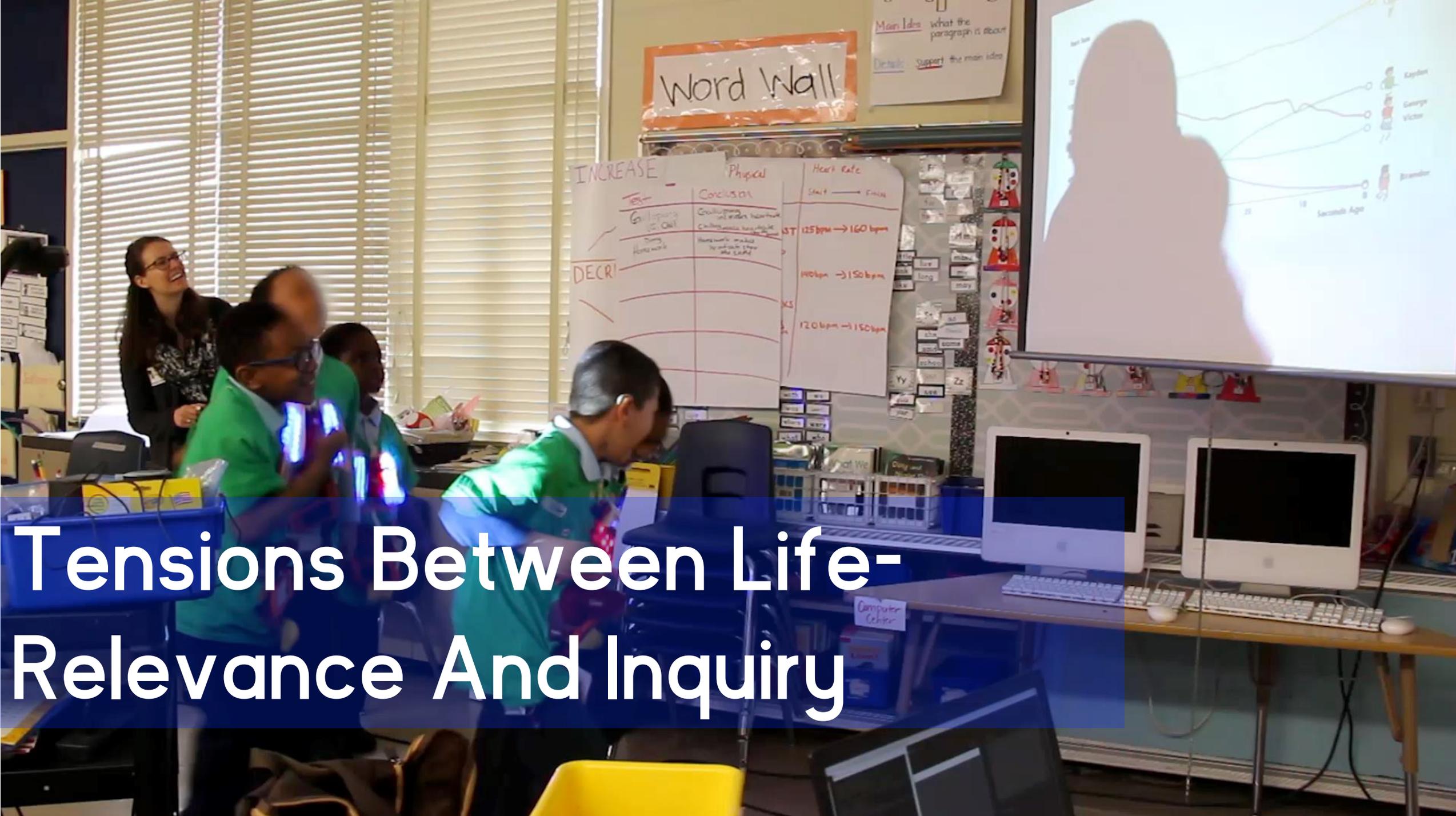
25% 1<sup>st</sup> Graders

24% 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders

**4<sup>th</sup> Graders**

Especially Attuned to  
**Scientific Inquiry**

# Tensions Between Life-Relevance And Inquiry



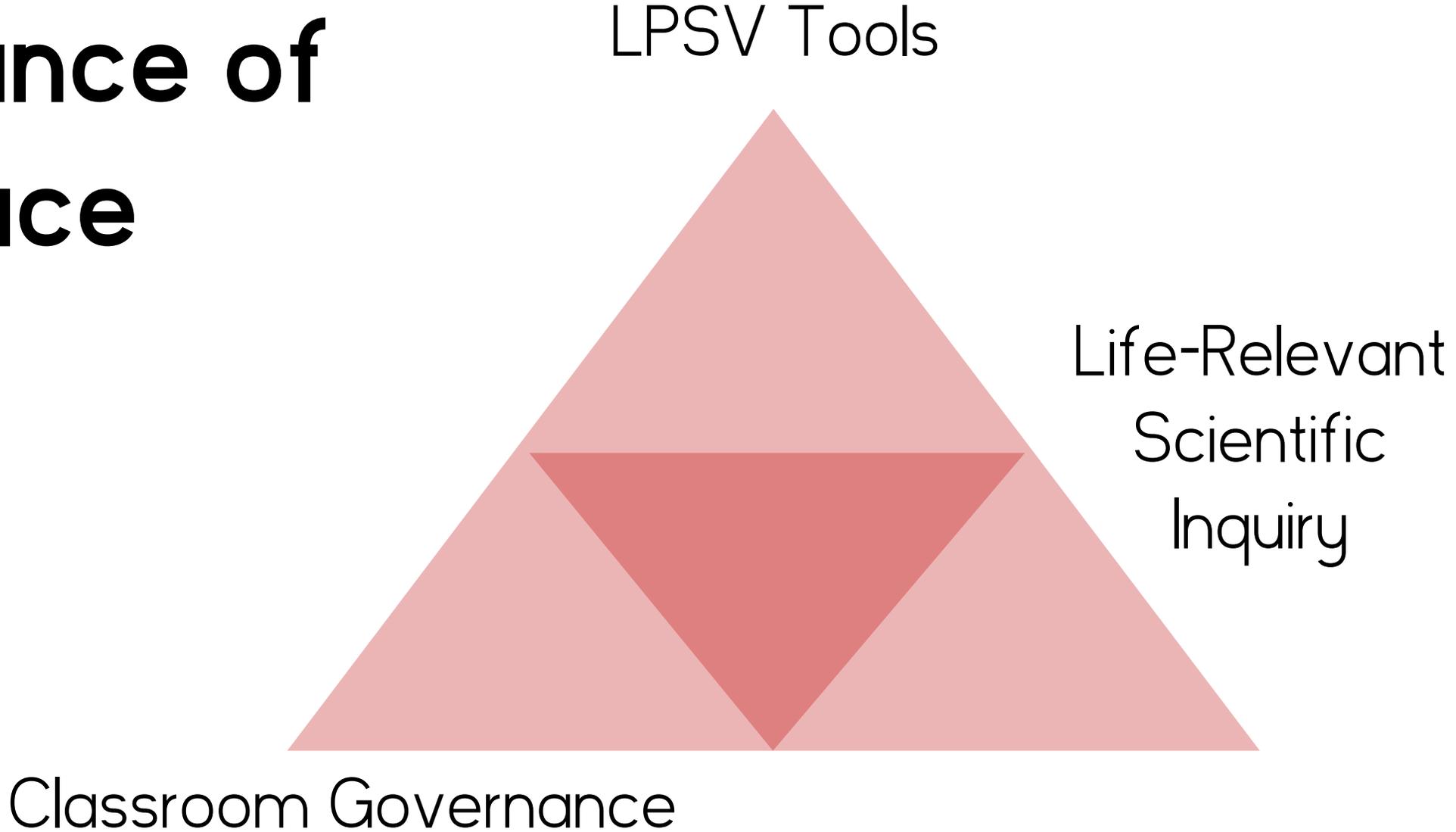
Word Wall

Main Idea: what the paragraph is about  
Details: support the main idea

INCREASE	Physical	Heart Rate
Test	Conclusion	Start → Finish
Gallop on 1st Oct	Exercising and water treatment	125 bpm → 160 bpm
Doing Homework	Heart rate is made by muscles in the heart	140 bpm → 150 bpm
		120 bpm → 150 bpm



# Importance of Space





4<sup>th</sup>  
Grade:  
Limited  
Space

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Grade:  
Free  
Space



“... rather than everyone standing in the back watching, specific seats. You're going to sit in your normal seat unless you're wearing a [bioharness].

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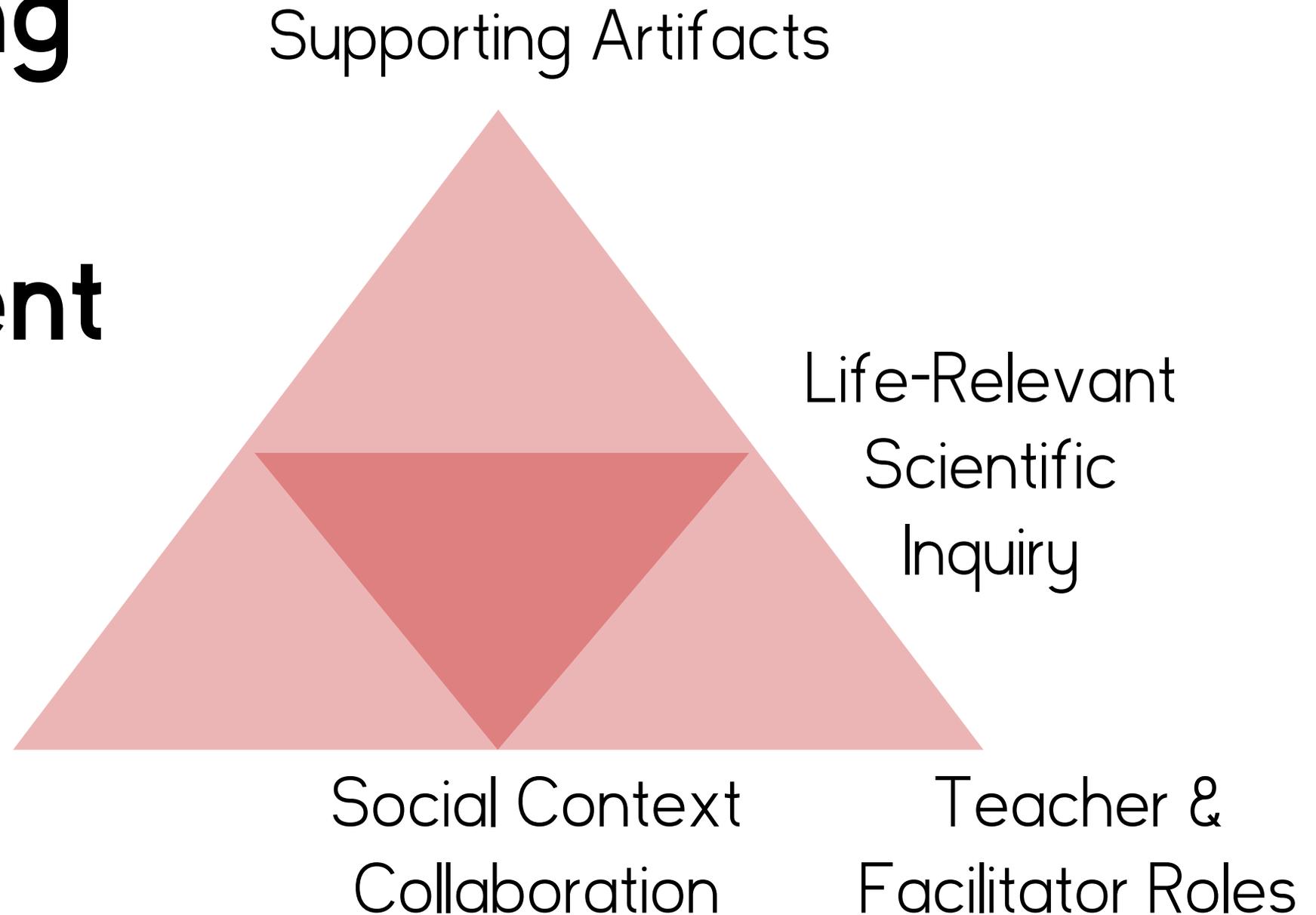
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher

# Findings



Life-relevant  
Connections to  
Inquiry

# Leveraging the Environment



Supporting Artifacts

Community Aspects

Teacher: Access to Resources

Pop Culture



Scientific & Life-relevant Inquiry

# Implications

Integrating SBL Tools in the Classroom

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Designing Artifacts to Support Life-Relevant Inquiry

Link model-based and analytic representations to help children make connections

Leverage **non-technical artifacts** to promote inquiry investigations and life-relevant connections

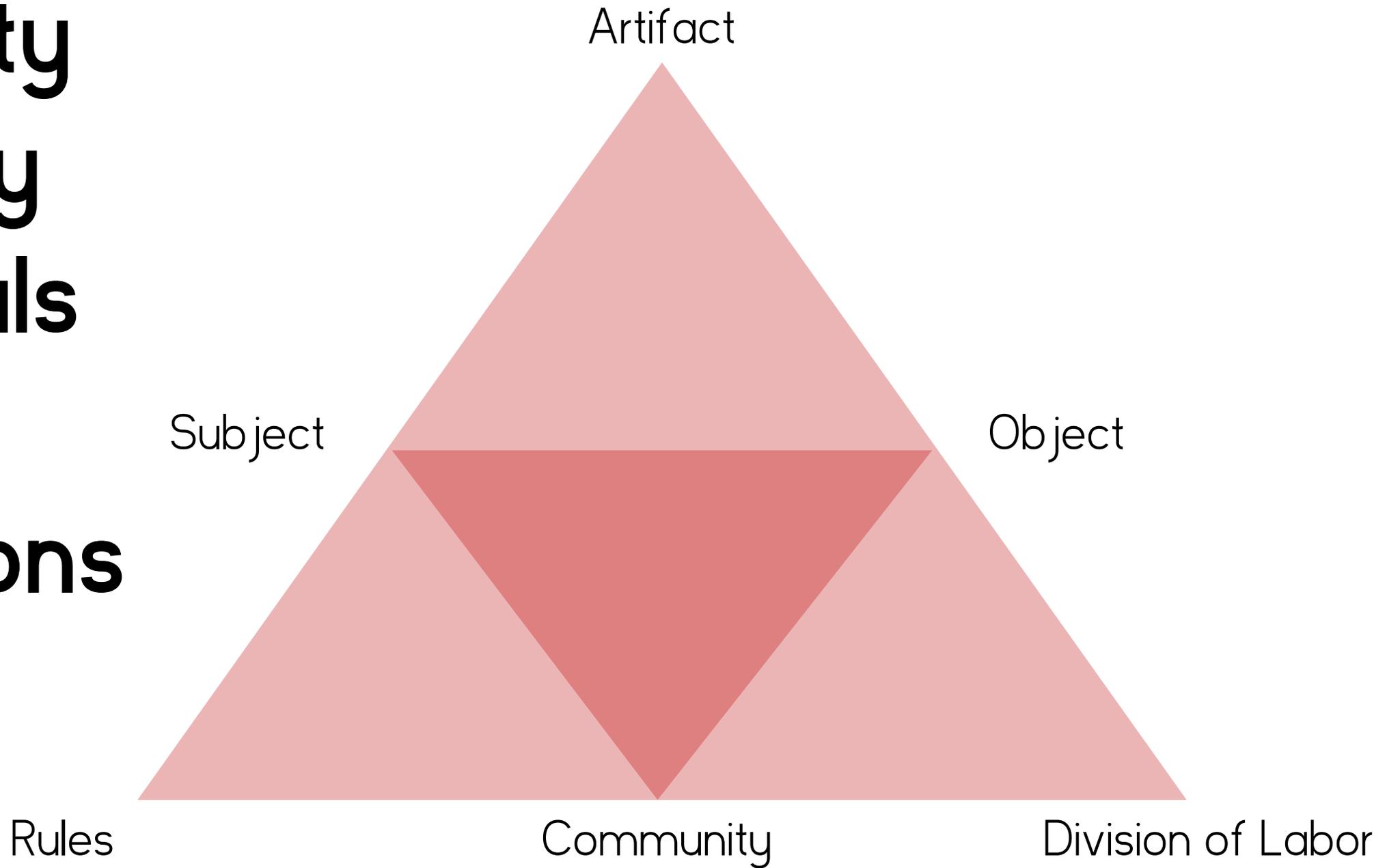
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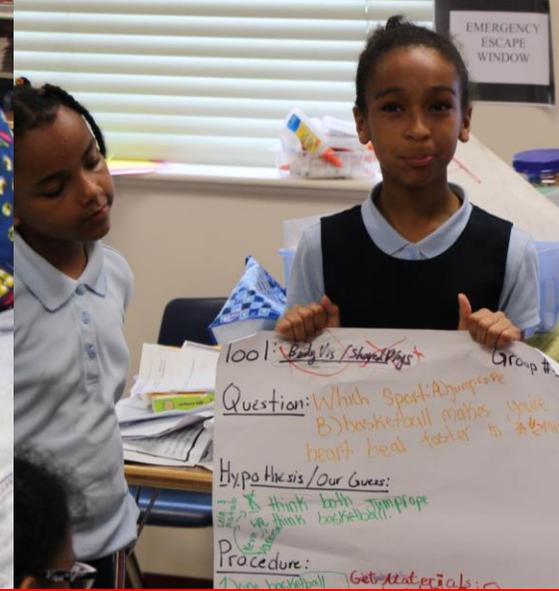
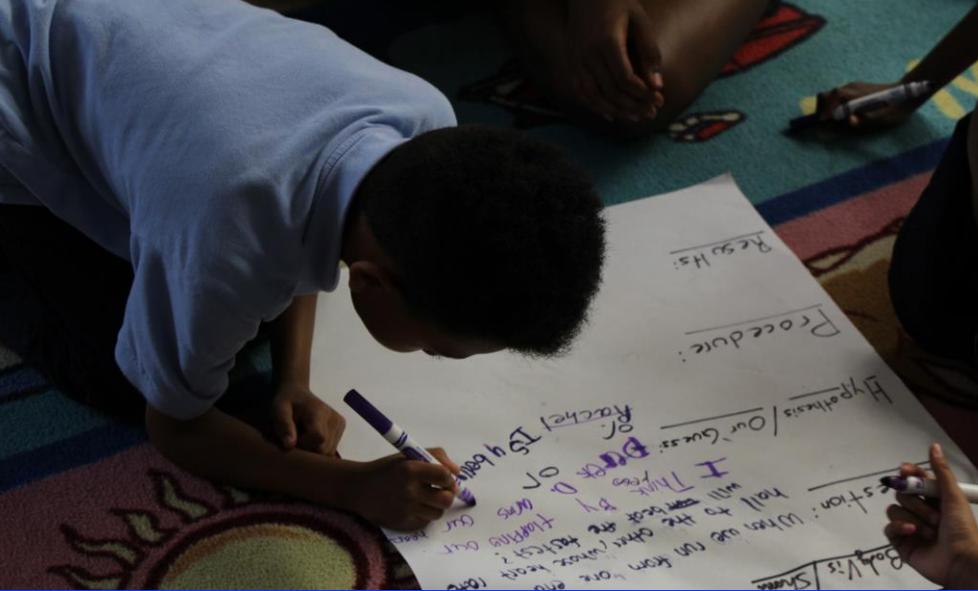
Integrating LPSV Tools into the Classroom Environment

Allow for incremental integration of new variables into inquiry experiences for younger learners

Consider the **Social & Physical** constraints and opportunities for use of **space**

# Activity Theory Reveals Key Tensions





## How Teachers Perceive LPSV Tools

## How Kids Perceive LPSV Tools



# Space & Layout



# Supporting Artifacts

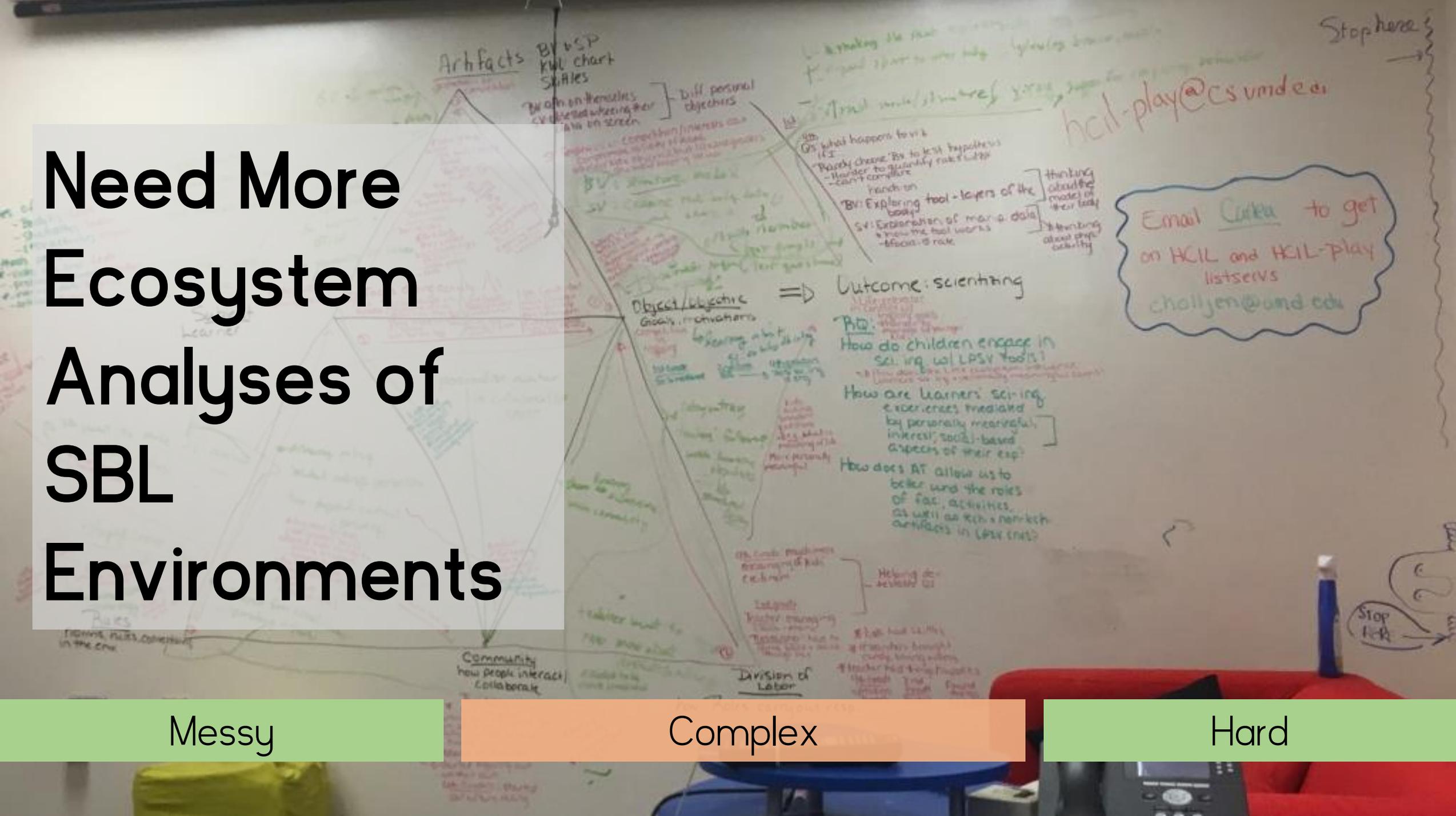


# Need More Ecosystem Analyses of SBL Environments

Messy

Complex

Hard



Artifacts

BYOSP  
KWL chart  
Skills

Diff personal objectives  
Breath on themselves  
Scribbled where their  
AVA on screen

Q3: what happens to it  
Q4: why?

Poorly chosen. Be to test hypothesis  
- Harder to quantify risk with  
- can't compare

Branch on  
B1: Exploring tool - layers of the  
body

S1: Exploration of man's data  
to know the tool works  
- focus on role

thinking about the  
model of  
their body  
thinking about their  
activity

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Stop here

Object/Objective  
Goals, motivations

Outcome: scientizing

How do children engage in  
Sci. ing. w/ LPSV tools?

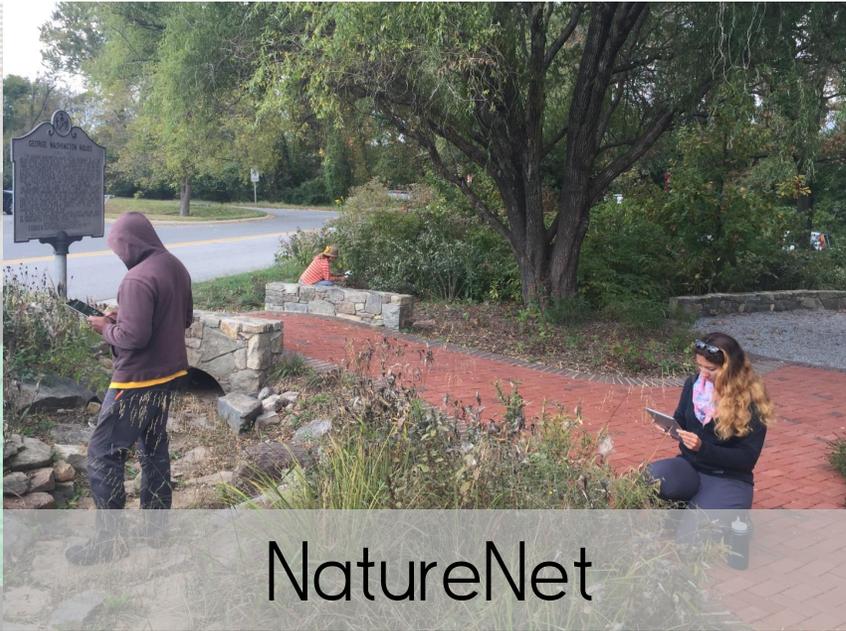
How are learners' sci. ing.  
experiences mediated  
by personally meaningful  
interest, social-based  
aspects of their exp?

How does AT allow us to  
better understand the roles  
of fac, activities,  
as well as tech + non-tech  
artifacts in LPSV exp?

Community  
how people interact/  
collaborate

Division of  
Labor

Stop  
here



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# ③ Third Places



Informal Learning



**My own  
experiences  
engaging in  
STEM**

**n Grade**



Being Smart

Being Cool



**Tensions**

Establish community  
with shared goals &  
values

Find balance  
between work & fun

# Community-based Programs



E.g., MSEN Pre-College Program



# Importance of Community Settings

E.g., Bang et al, 2013; Bouillion & Gomez, 2001; Polman, 2010

Gathering places  
where informal  
public life  
develops  
dynamically

# Third Place

Oldenburg, 1989





# Third Places





# Cooperative Inquiry

Druin, 2002

# Third Places

Oldenburg, 1989



Situating cooperative inquiry in the learning contexts

Involving children with experience in the relevant context

Engaging multiple community stakeholders

# Third Place Design

Third Places  
Oldenburg, 1989

# Third Place Projects



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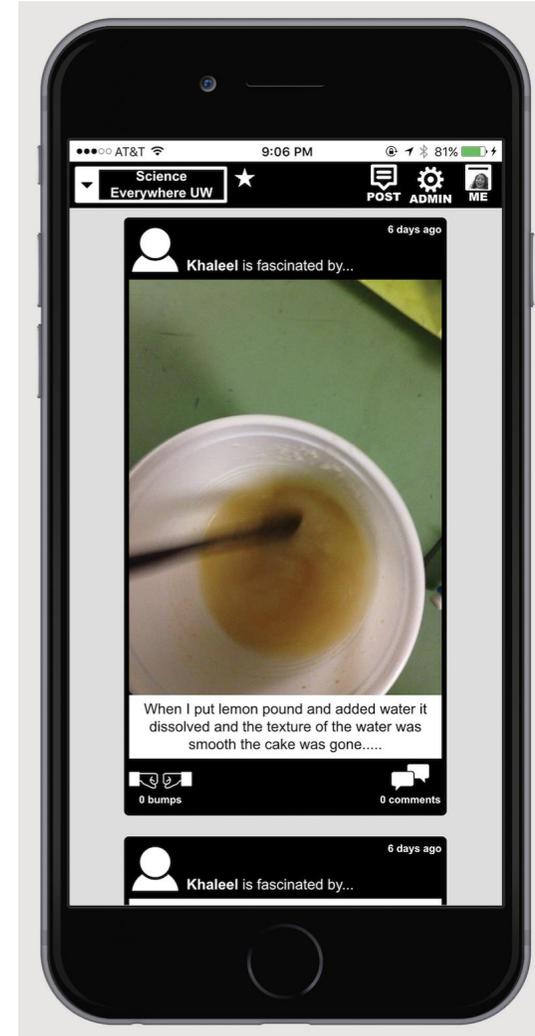
Leveraging social media &  
ubiquitous technologies to  
support scientizing

# Science Everywhere

Home \* School \* After-school



Tangible, community displays



Mobile social media



Science  
Everywhere  
Pacific  
Northwest



Science  
Everywhere  
Mid Atlantic



**Home**

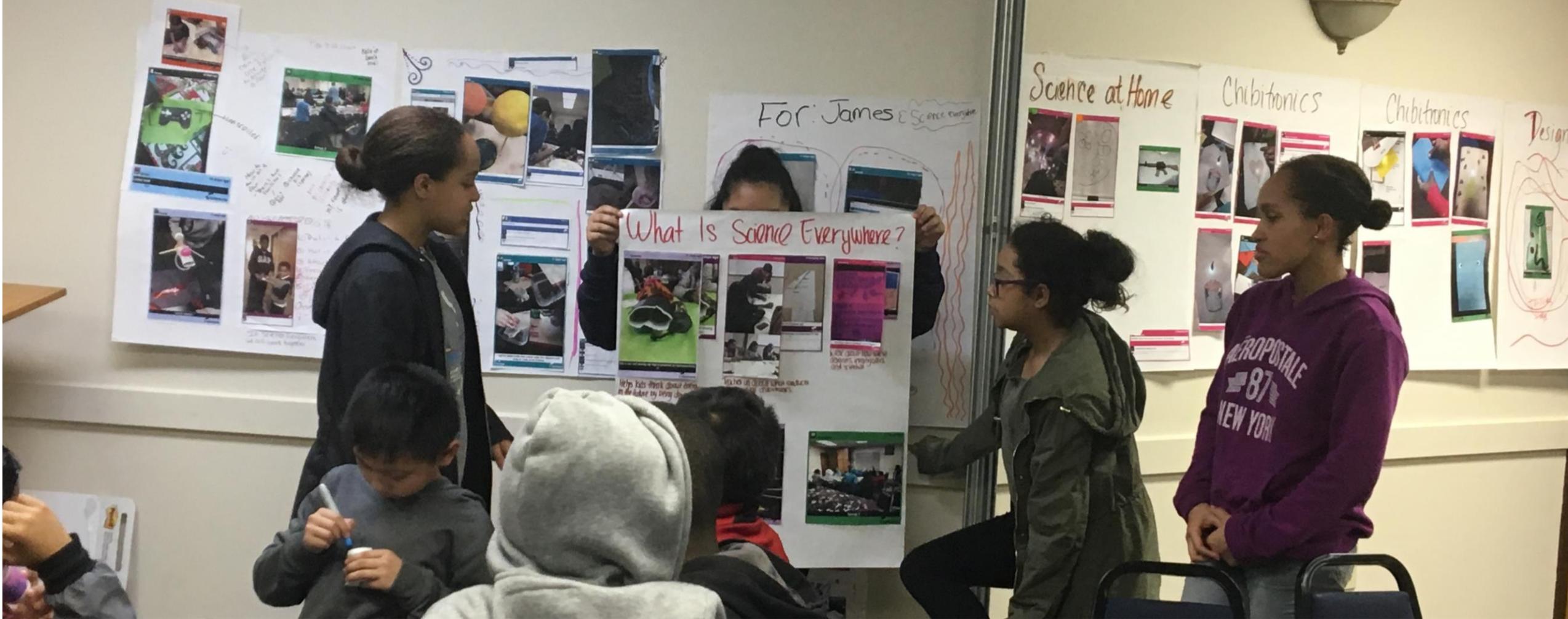


**School**



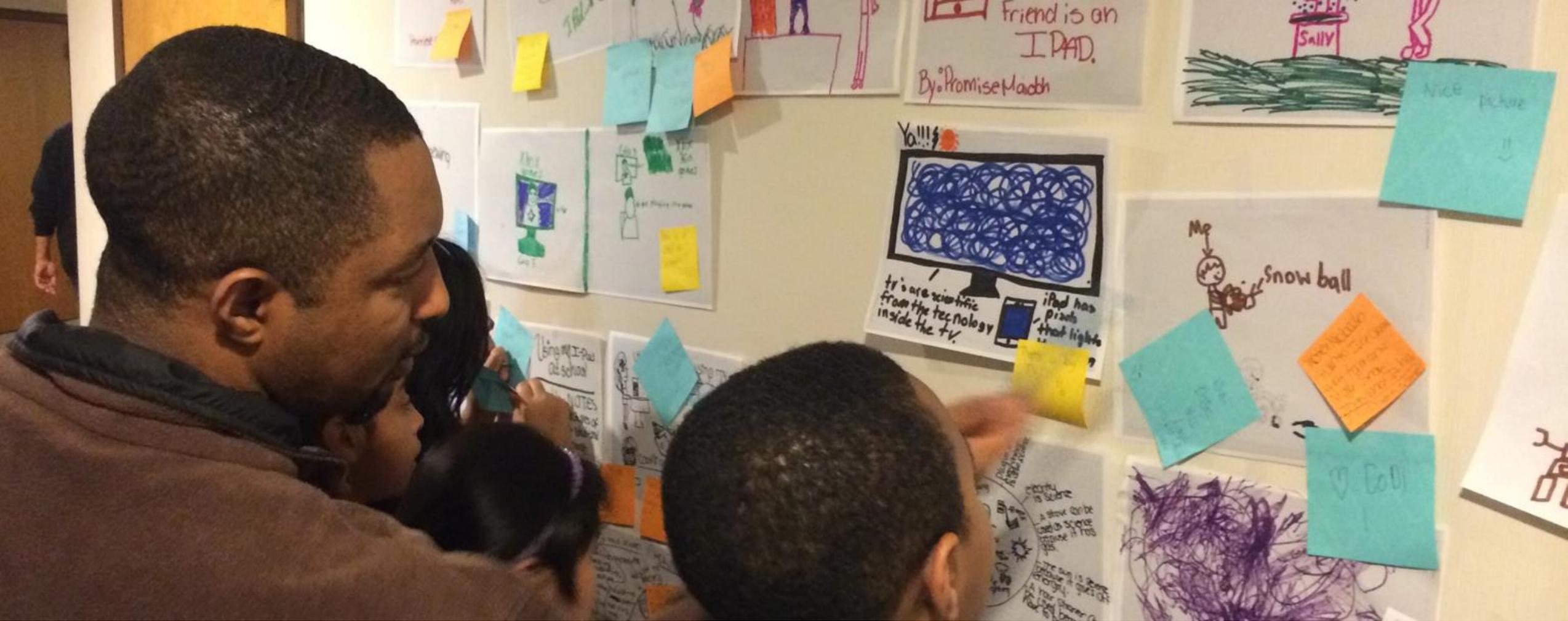
**Community**

# Integrated Neighborhoods



Youth

Designing with the Community



*Parents*

**Designing with the Community**



*Teachers*

**Designing with the Community**



*Community Volunteers*

**Designing with the Community**

## The Evolution of Engagements and Social Bonds During Child-Parent Co-design

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### ABSTRACT

Partnering with parents and children in the design process can be important for producing technologies that take into consideration the rich context of family life. However, to date, few studies have examined the actual process of designing with families and their children. Without understanding the process, we risk making poor design choices in user-interactive experiences that take into account important family dynamics. The purpose of this investigation is to understand how parent-child relationships in families shape co-design processes and how they are reshaped through co-design. We document the evolutionary process and outcomes that exist in co-design partnerships between researchers and families. We found that parents' engagement patterns shifted more slowly than that of children's from observing and facilitating to design partnering practices. Our analysis suggests the importance of establishing and nurturing social bonds among parents, children, and researchers in the co-design process.

### Author Keywords

Participatory design; families; children; parents; co-design; methods and techniques

### ACM Classification Keywords

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### INTRODUCTION

Interviewer: *What do you think about designing with the adults, like with your parents?*

Amy: *I think that sometimes we don't agree on things. But I think it's kind of fun because you get to bond with your parents and we get to see like what ideas are cool and like, I can design things with my family.*

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Interviewer: *Okay. So what's an example of something you don't agree on or that you didn't agree on?*

Amy: *Well, like how it should look like, size, what it should have and stuff like that.*

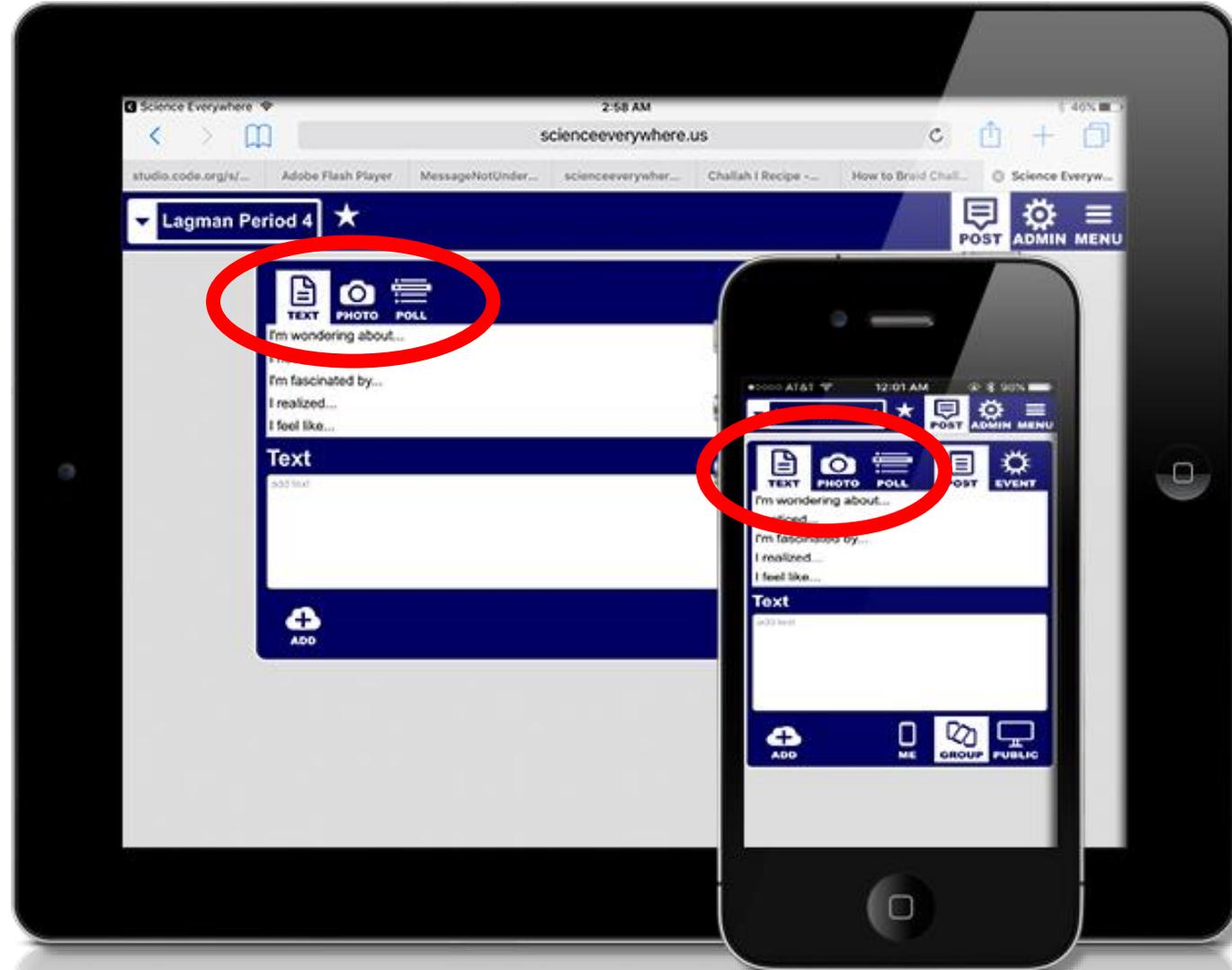
This is how one of our youth participants (Amy, age 12, pseudonym) reflected on a 10-month process of designing new learning technologies together with her father, siblings, other families, and design researchers. Her words highlight how the co-design experience involved moments of tension, but also deeper social bonding, with her father, and underscores the importance of spending time designing with her parents. Amy's reflection illuminates a ripe opportunity to more deeply understand the co-design processes of families and design researchers. HCI researchers are increasingly utilizing participatory design (PD) methodologies to develop new technologies for and with families [19,28,29,33,57,63,64]. While existing research has focused on the products that arise out of family co-design [30,42,57] and the co-design methods used [33,40,63], a key question that HCI researchers have not fully explored is, "*How do the design processes between children, parents/guardians, and researchers evolve over time, and how might we best support them?*"

Without an in-depth understanding of the evolutionary process of design partnerships between researchers, children, and adults, we risk overlooking complex relationships that ultimately affect co-design work. The enormity of the parent-child relationship must be taken into consideration to deeply understand design partnerships within and across families. For instance, Darling and Steinberg [14] suggest that to better understand the socialization process of parents and children, we must differentiate between parenting practices and styles. Parental practices (e.g., discipline, affection, teaching) are specific behaviors parents enact to socialize their children, while parenting styles (i.e., authoritative, permissive, neglectful, and authoritarian) are dimensions of parental responsiveness and emotional climate in which parents raise their children [6,14]. Parental styles are attributed to influencing adolescent academic achievement [4,54], children's physical activity [15], children's behavior [3], and other aspects. Parental practices and styles might also

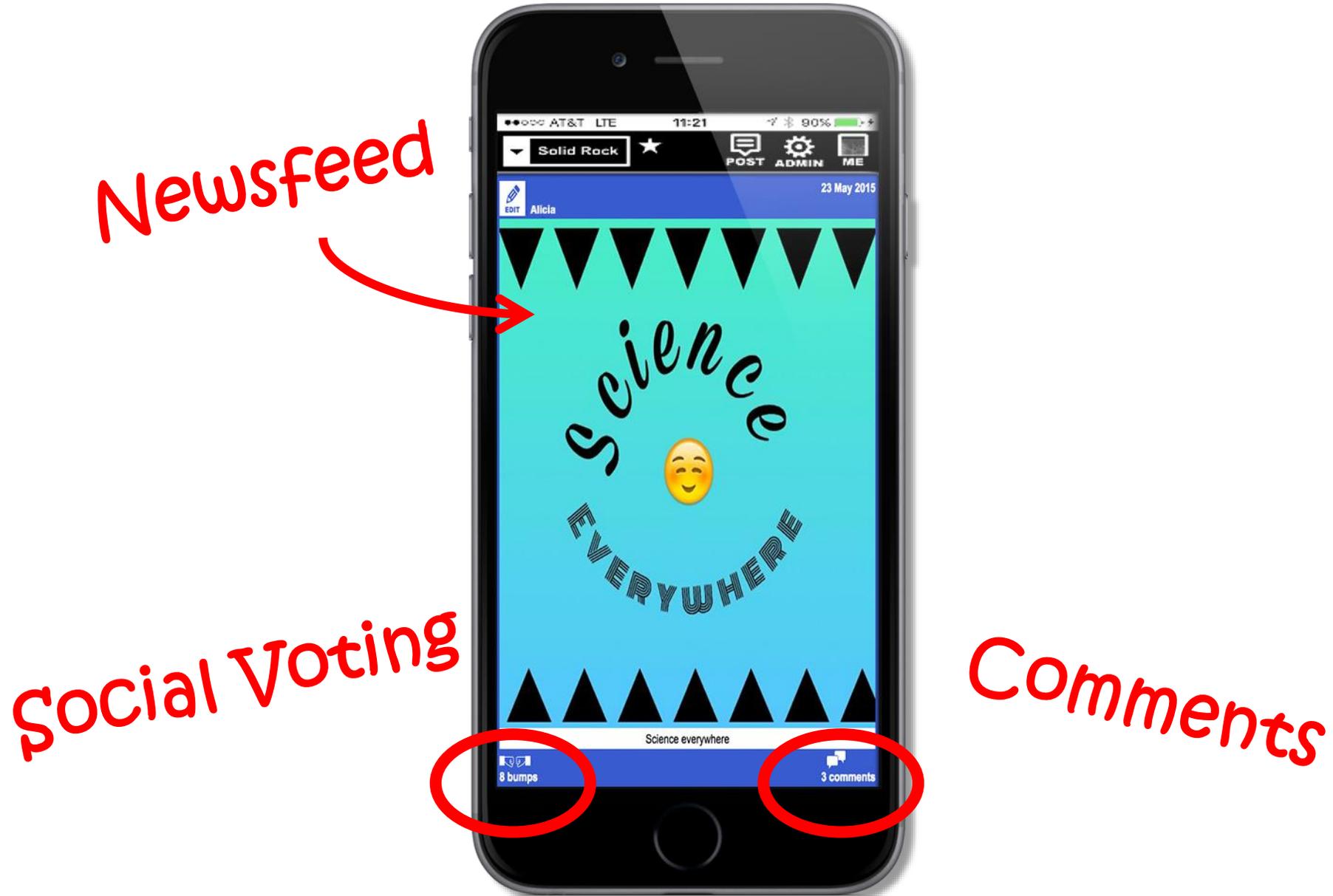
Yip, Clegg, Ahn, Uchidiuno, & Bonsignore et al, CHI 2016

# Science Everywhere App

Multi-media

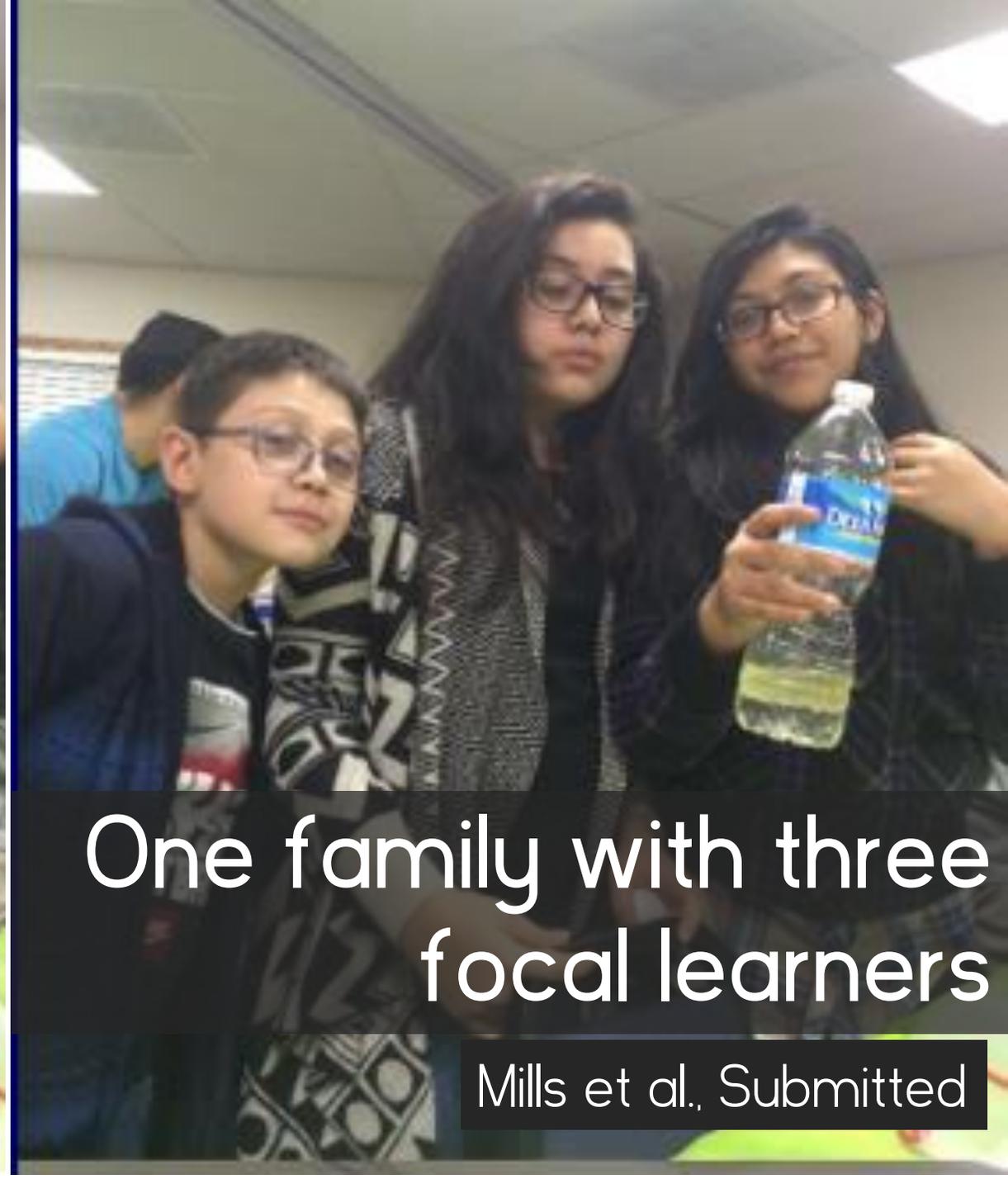


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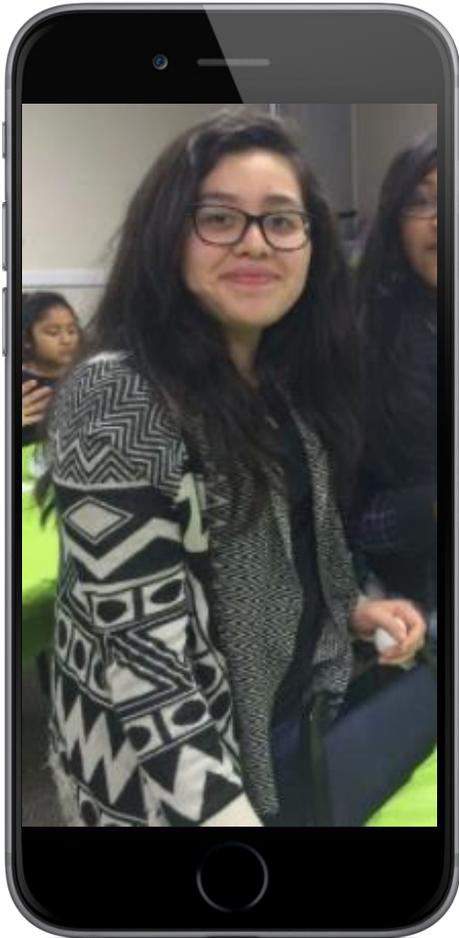
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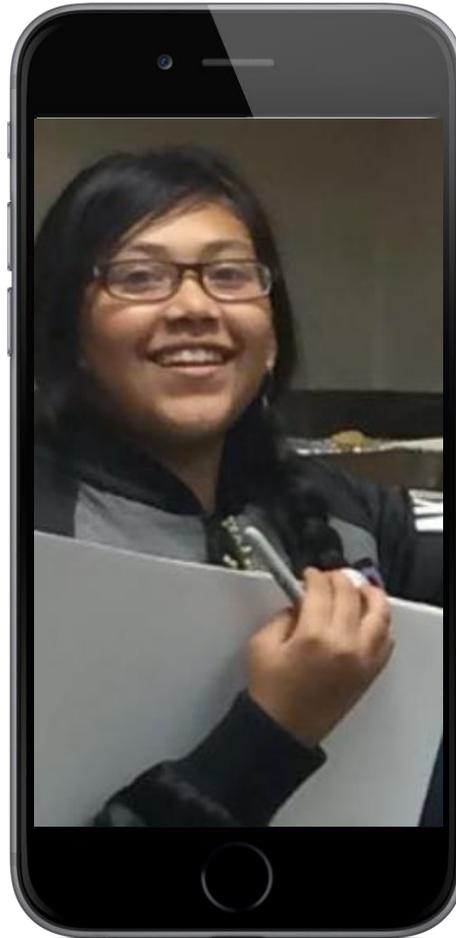
One family with three  
focal learners

Mills et al., Submitted

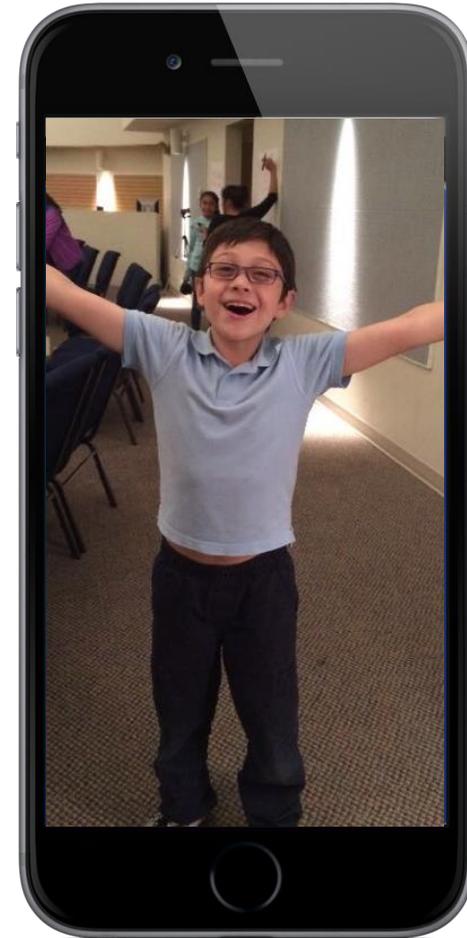
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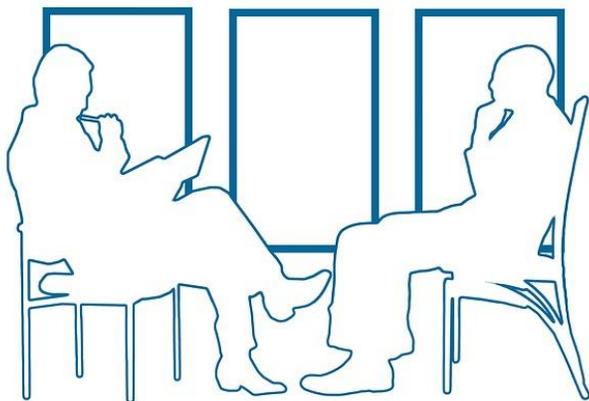
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Kayla  
14 years old



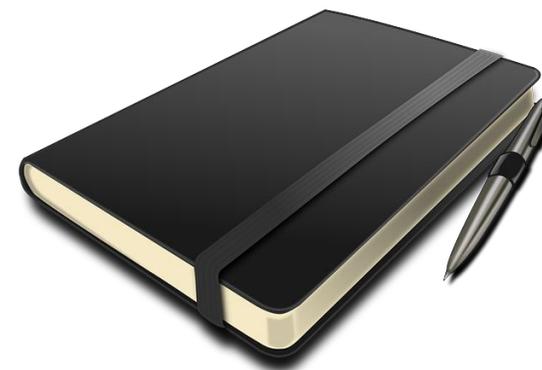
Jax  
10 years old



Learner,  
Parent, &  
Teacher Interviews



Posts



Field Notes

# Data Collection and Analysis

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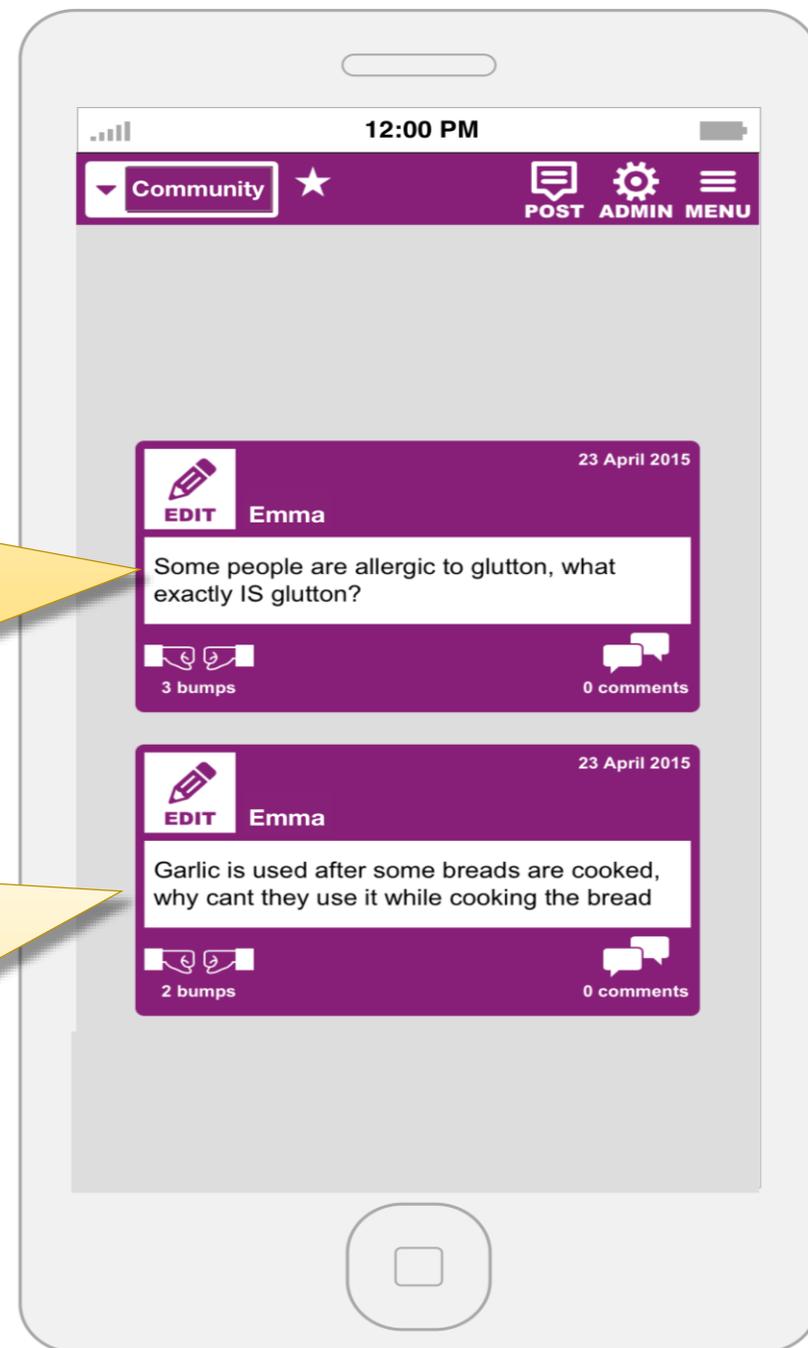
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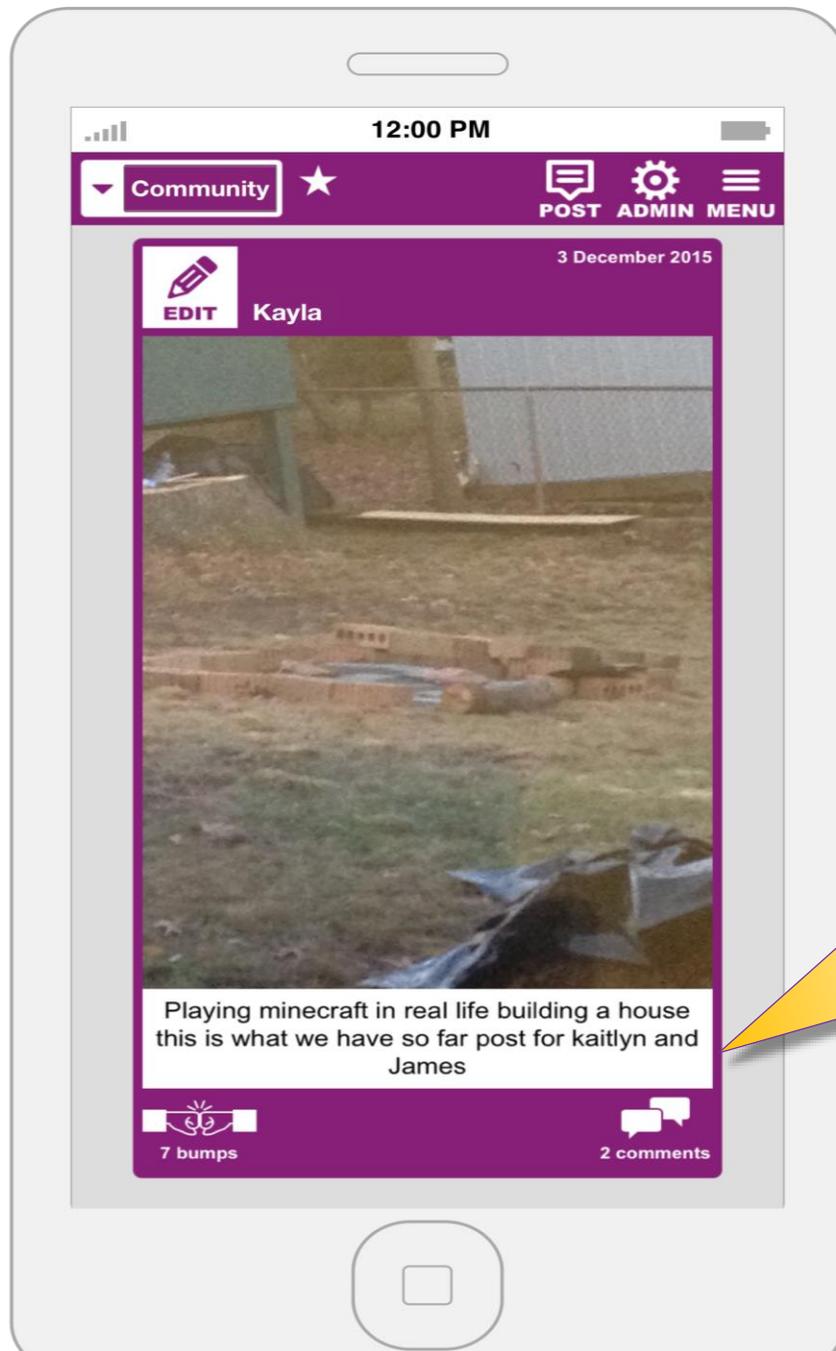
# Connections

So I had a tutor at the time that was allergic to glutton [sic]. And I didn't know what glutton was. Was it the sugar in it? Was it the fat?"

My aunt likes to cook a lot and I would see how she sprinkled garlic on the bread after it cooked and I would ask why wouldn't it be in the bread instead of like on it afterwards.



# Processes

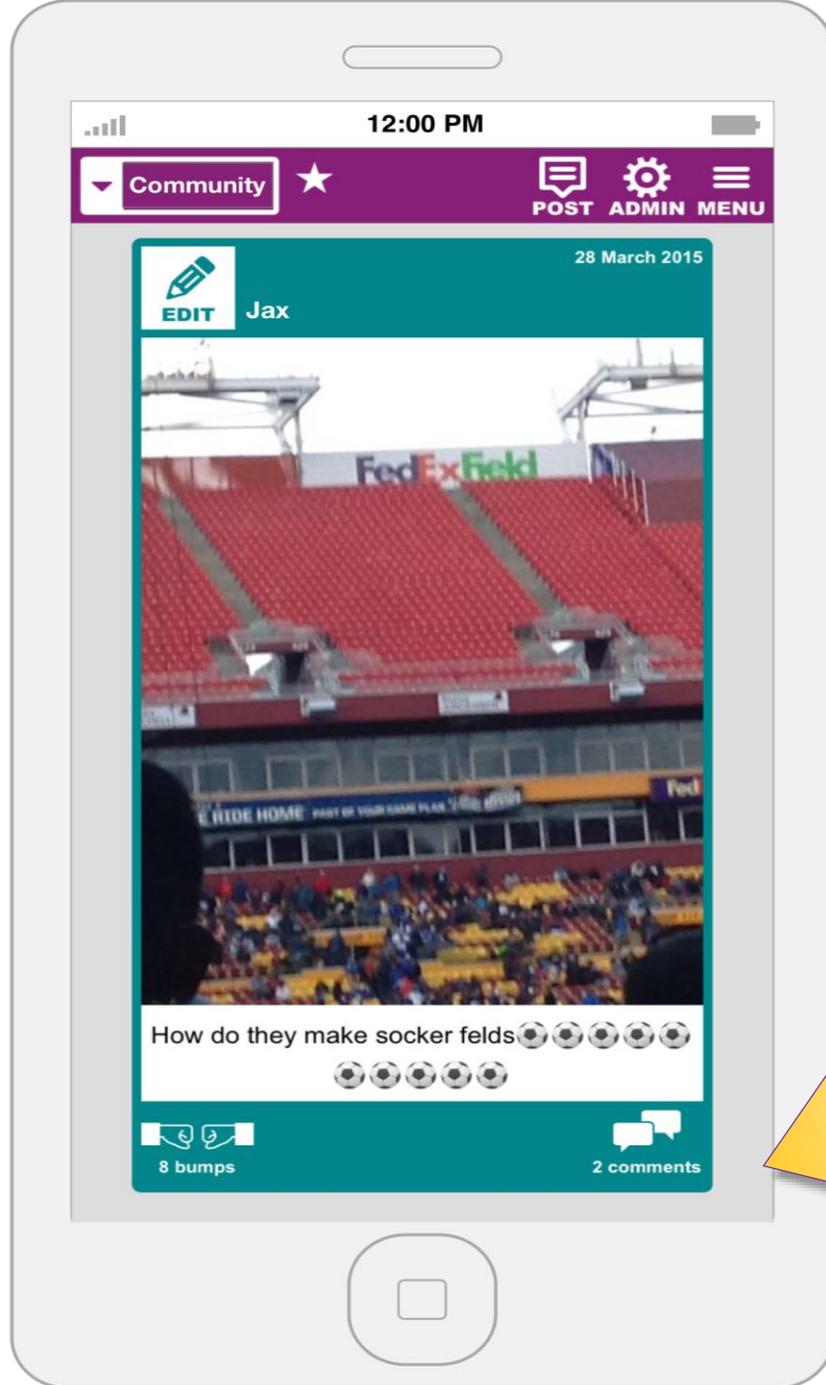


Kayla's father explained that this was a shed that he built in their backyard.

I was really proud of it because I can show people that you can create some of these things in real life.

# Emotion

Jax's father explained that this particular game, El Salvador versus Argentina, was an important game to the family because they are from El Salvador.



I've seen videos where it took days and days and months and they had to use these big trucks to like staple, tape and super glue them to the ground. These were these special seats that were made out of something slippery plastic so I had plastic seats before but these were really slippery so I could slide down easily.

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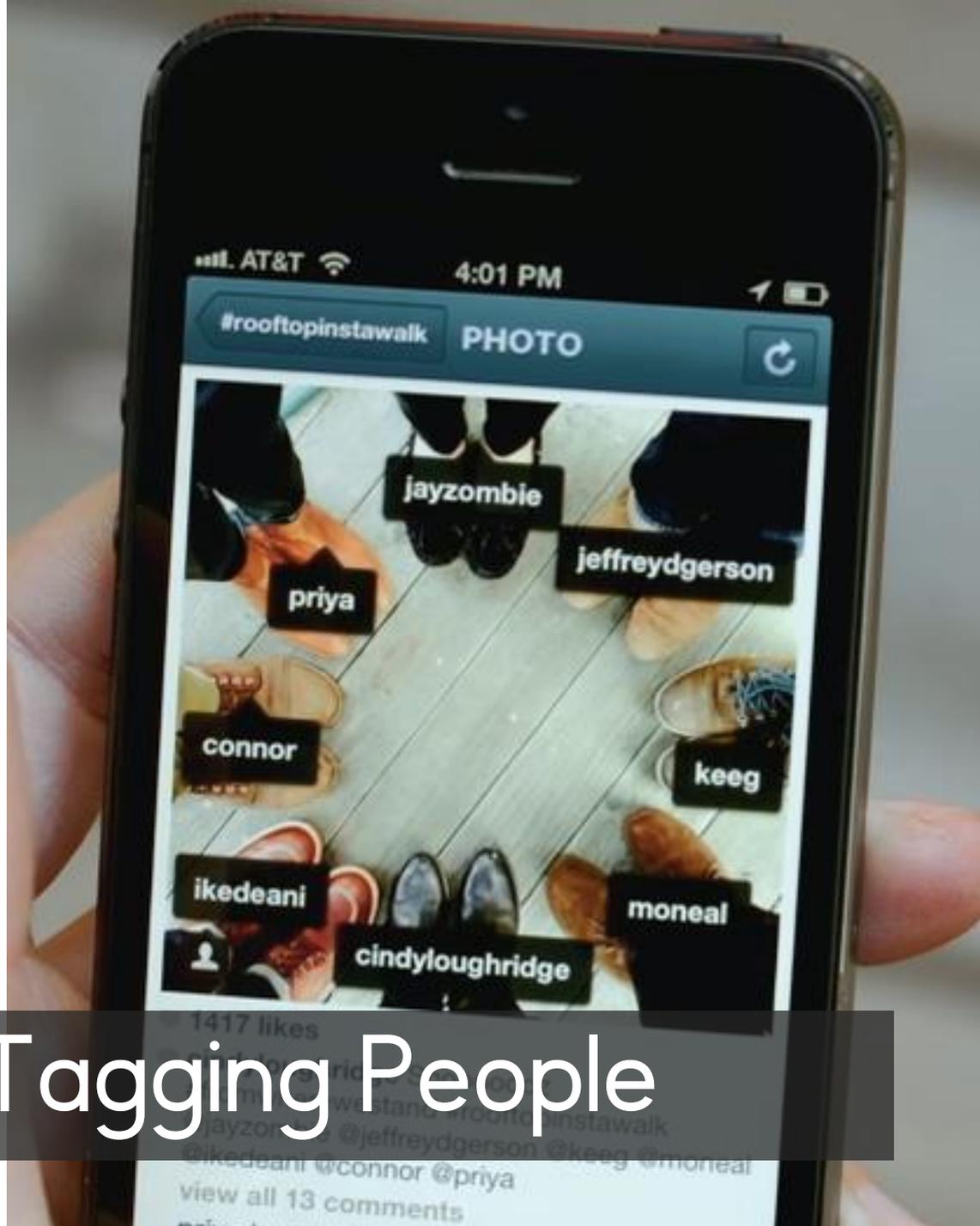
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**Interaction features and connected practices** may make the children's implicit and more unconventional scientific funds of knowledge more apparent.

Connecting posts to other posts, community members, locations, and experiences

# Interaction Features

Tagging People



GPS Mapping



Leveraging new social media features for  
scaffolding science

# Interaction Features

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# Stories





# Time Lapse

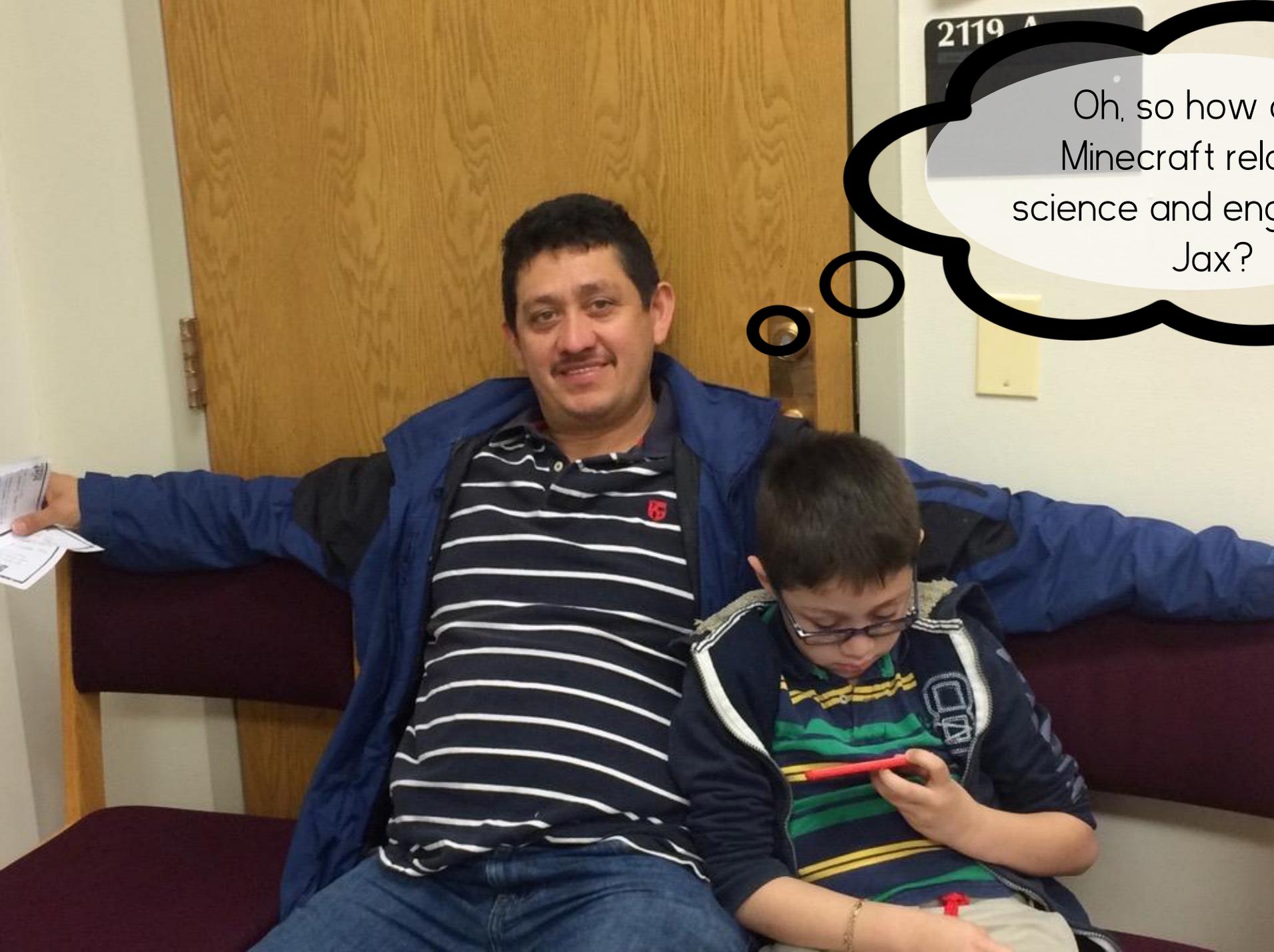
Protocols for asking children about their posts

# Connected Practices

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What were you doing  
when you shared this post  
Jax?



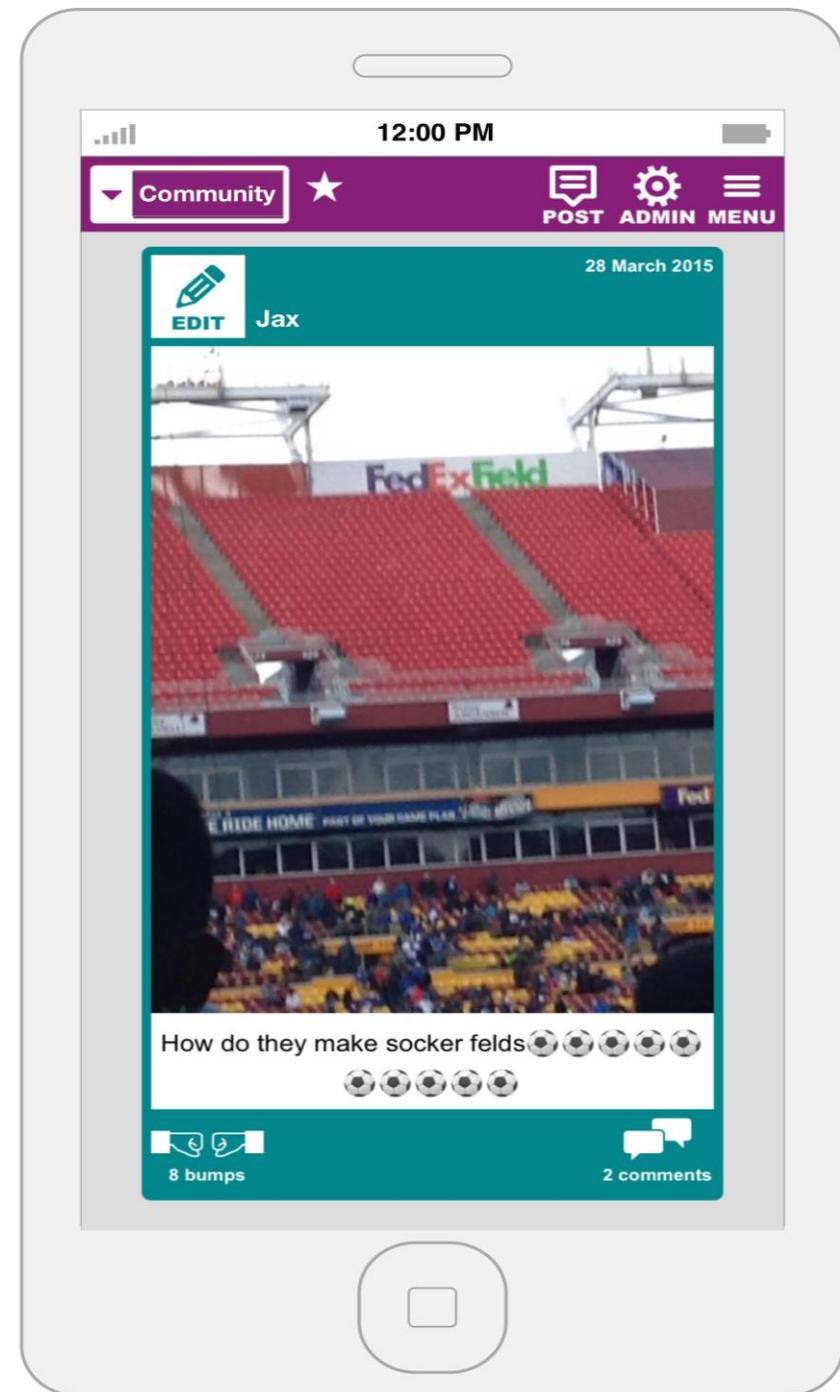
Oh, so how does  
Minecraft relate to  
science and engineering  
Jax?

Allow and encourage some "non-science"  
posts

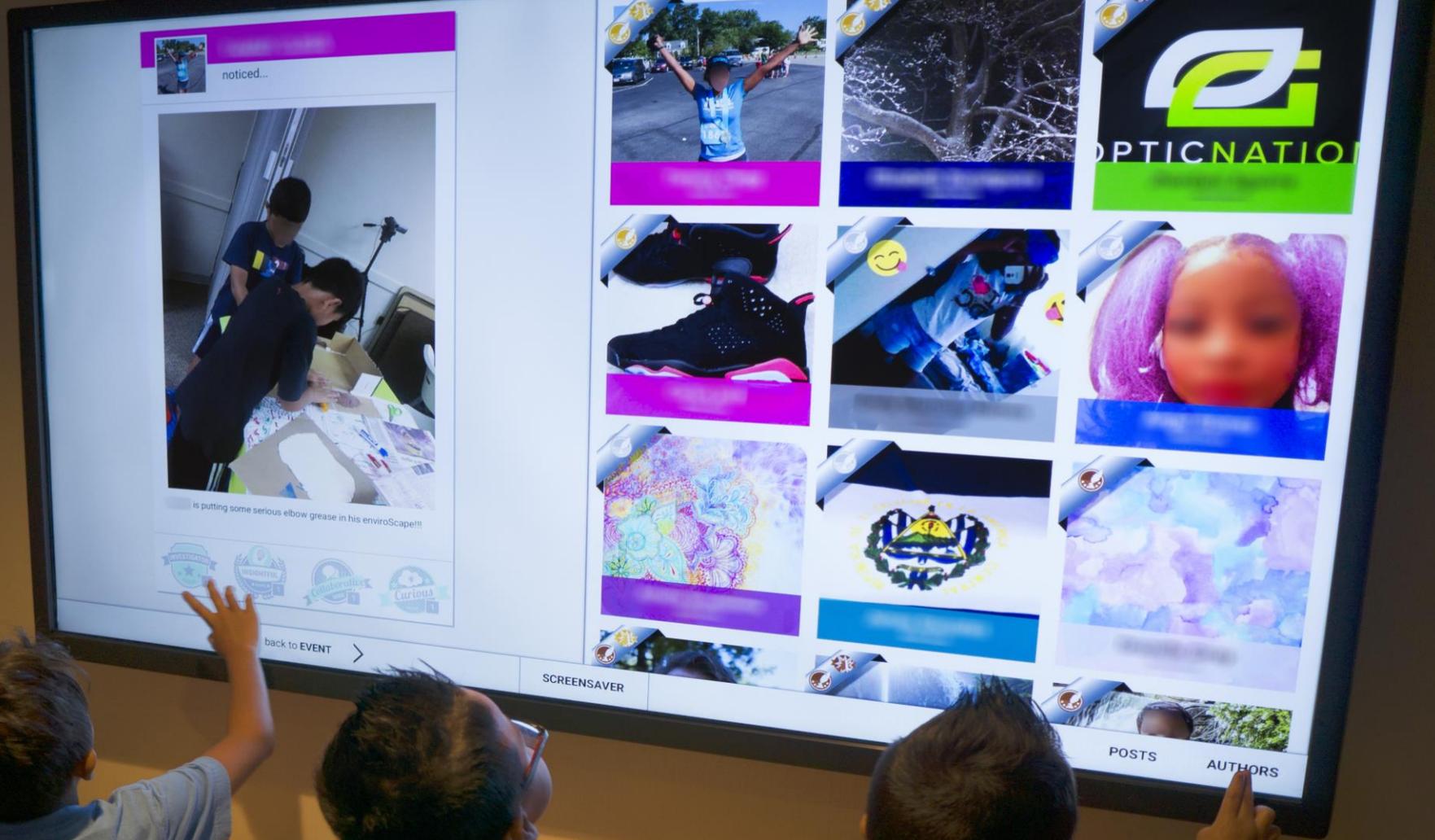
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Self-expression & seeds for science practice



# Large Displays



Video  
Audio  
Field Notes  
Interviews

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Displays:  
Church  
Middle School  
After-school

# Field Study

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# Hybrid Spaces & Third Places



Hybrid Spaces **inspire** & Third Places learners **capture**,  
**enable** new scientizishgare, & **build upon** scientizing  
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Going deeper into communities

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Future Work



New life-relevant learning contexts

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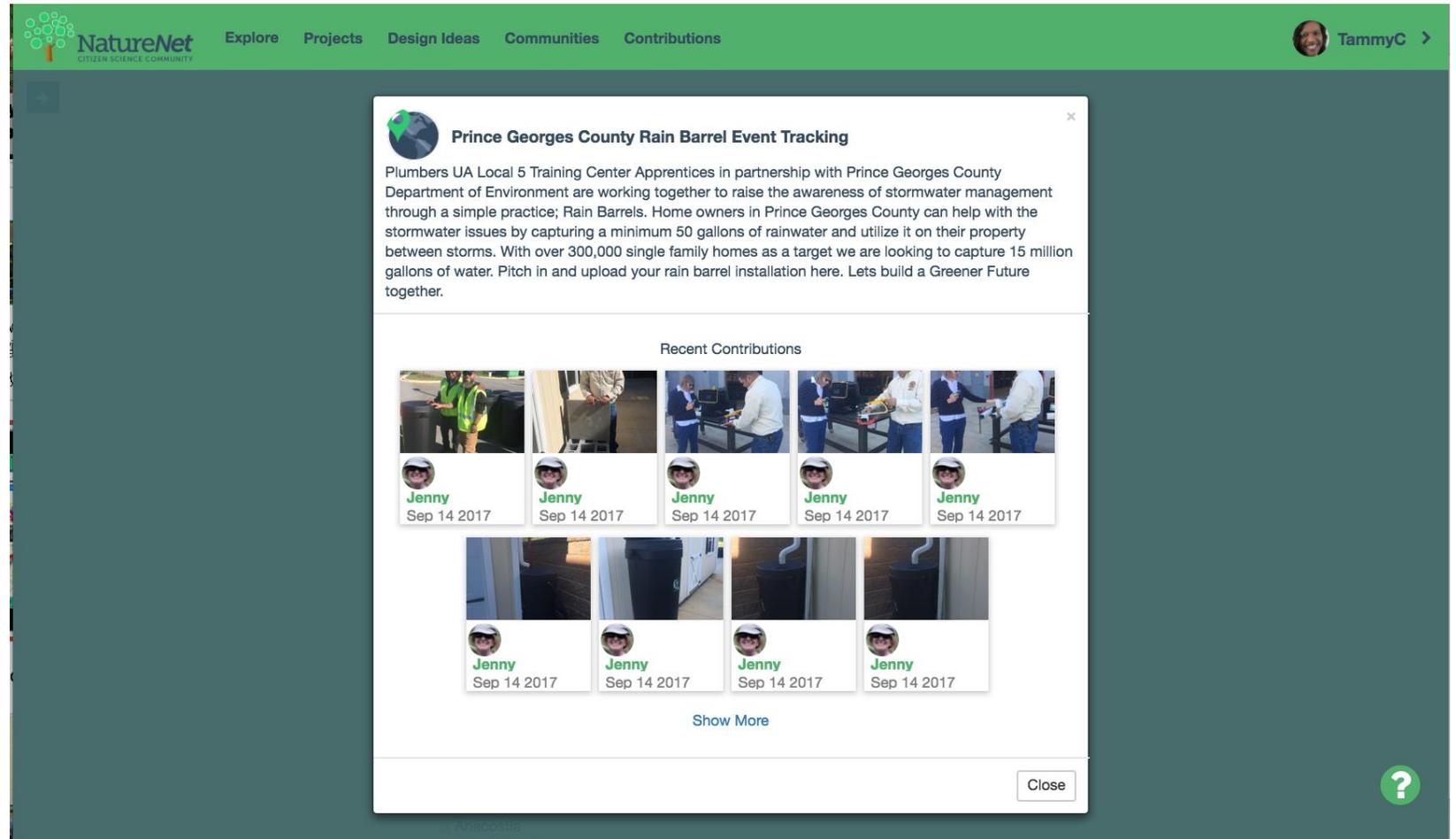
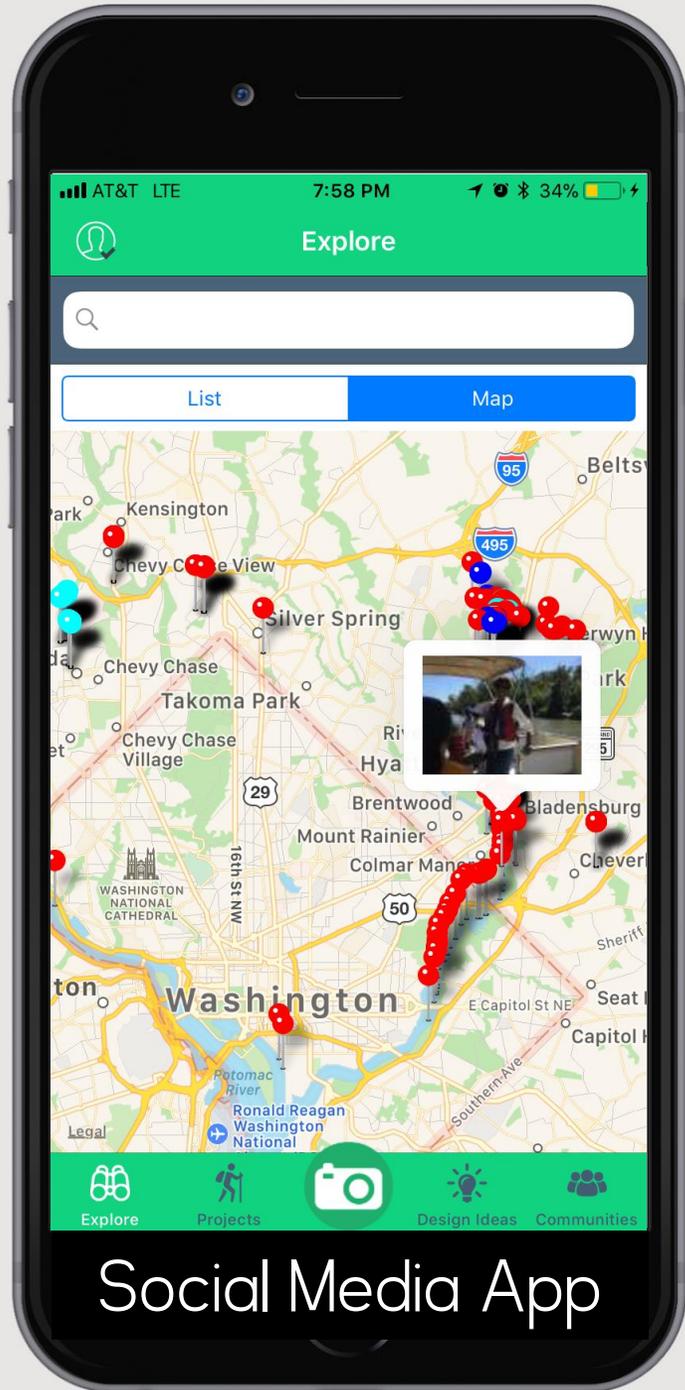
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Participant Observations

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Three years



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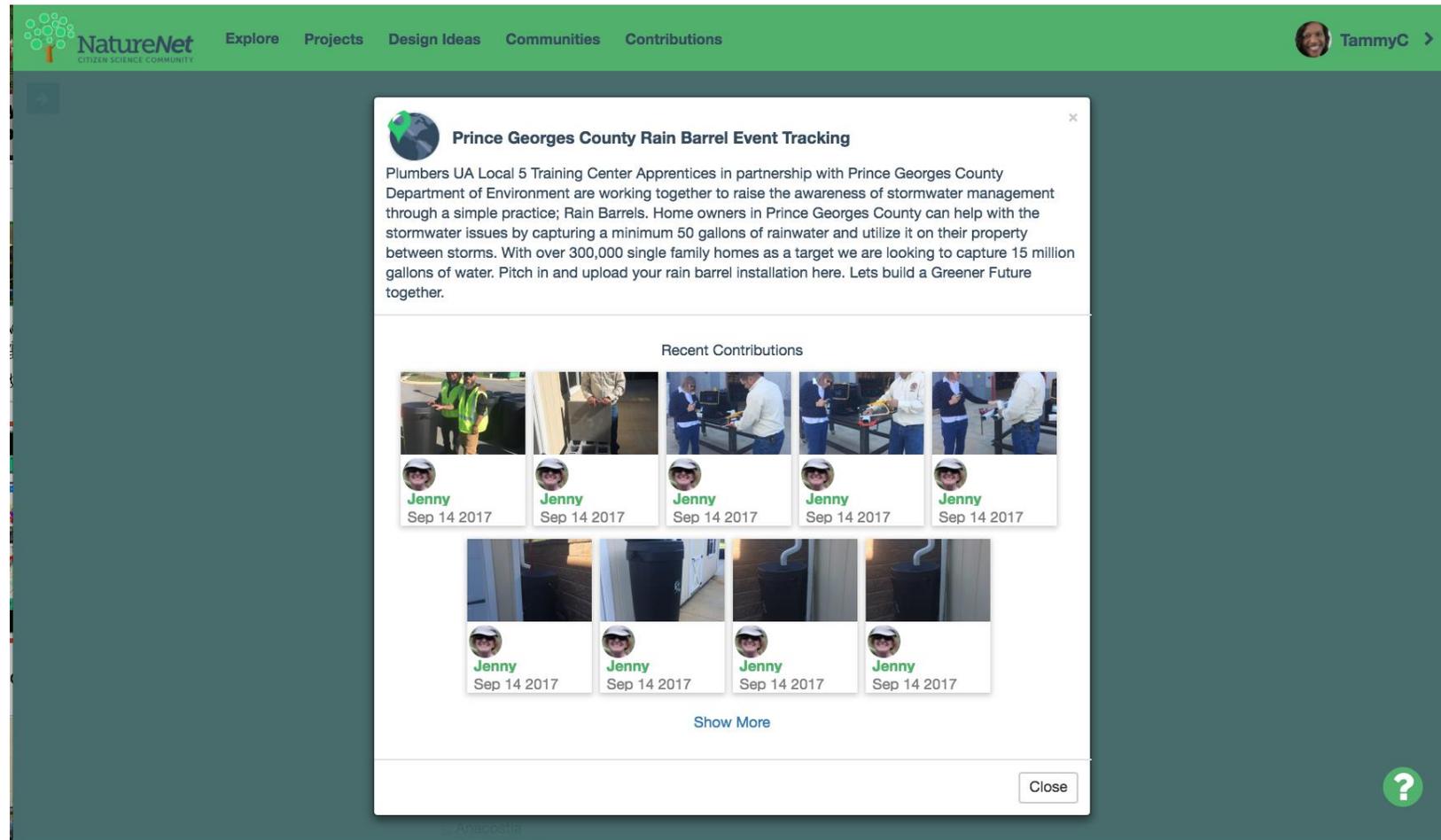
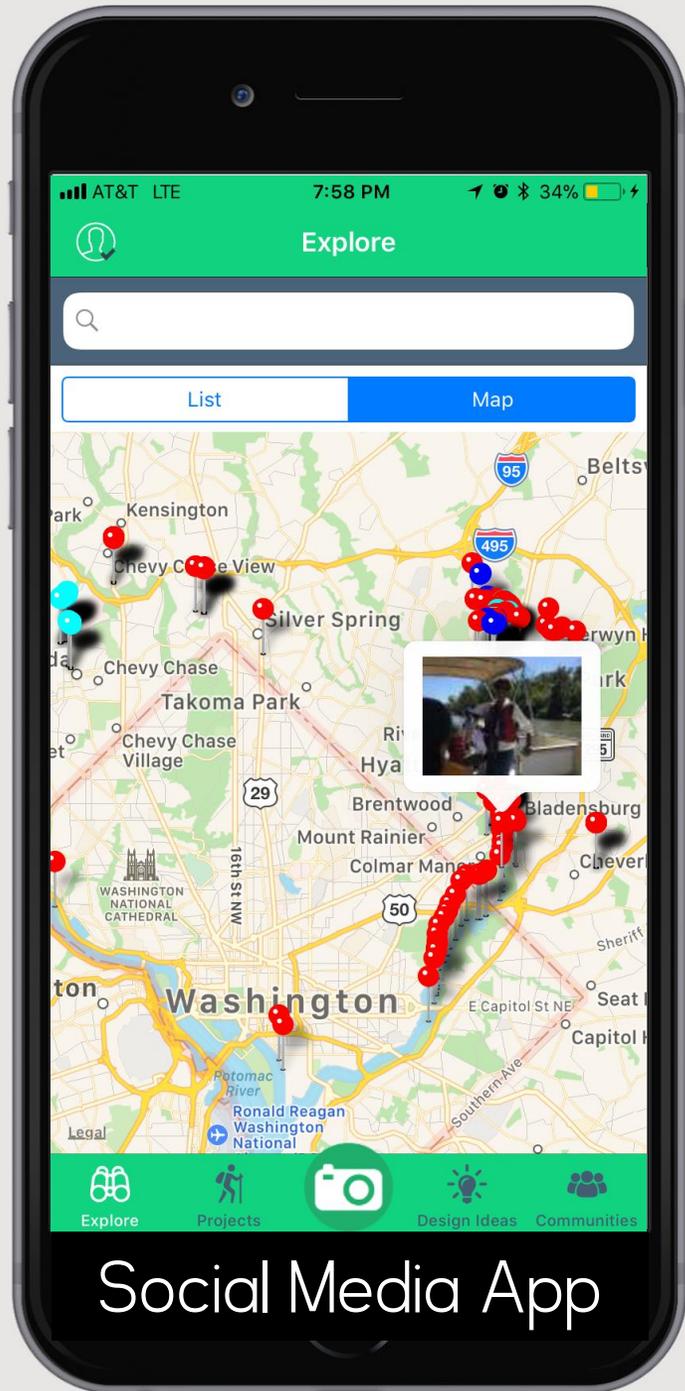
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