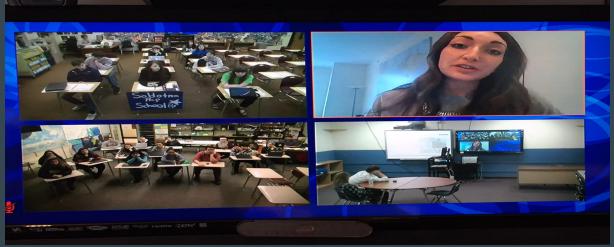
# Video Tele Communications in the Classroom

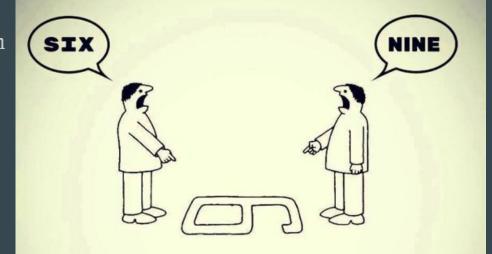


Video Conferencing... For a Better Future

### **Unique Differences**

#### A Broader Perspective

- ★ We get to meet new people and learn about their way of living from their point of view.
- ★ Get to hear other people's opinions about cultural conflicts. .
- $\star$  Virtual face to face communication.
- ★ This also lets us learn more about geography around the world.



Differences in Cultures

- ★ Differences in cultures is not a bad thing, in fact it gives us diversity.
- ★ We all have learned how to be sensitive and to respect other cultures and their beliefs when they are presenting to us.
- ★ They show us the same respect when we present to them.



Differences in Cultures Continued...



- ★ By learning about cultures it really opens our views on how the rest of the world is treated and how well we have it in America.
- ★ Gives us better socialising skills and takes us to a whole other level with our social awareness.

Experiences

A more Hands-on Working Environment

- $\star$  Play the "Ghana Game"
- ★ Research
- \star Kahoot
- ★ Computer/Video Conferencing skills



Applying Communication

- ★ Both Mr. Sparks and Mr. Zorbas are located in two different schools, but teach us students as if it was a room "room without walls"
- $\star$  Learning how to ask questions by being engaged
- ★ Active listening





### All subjects, All age groups,

• Collaborating with a partner classroom...virtual teams, projects, activities, co-teaching intra and interdisciplinary.

(Soldotna Prep and KCHS, Ak Studies and World History, KCHS and Homer High, Soldotna Prep and Nightmute/Atmautluak/Platinum/Nanwalek/Craig...Ak. Studies and Language Arts...Redoubt Elem and Holland Patent Middle School New York, Virtual Team Presentations)





#### The "Ghana" Game



#### What are good examples of student engagement and collaboration?

- $\star$  Collaborating with a partner classroom...virtual teams and projects...
- $\star$  Question and Answer opportunities with speakers and presenters.
- ★ Padlets and Kahoots (being engaged without getting up in front of everybody)
- ★ Meet and Greet Presentations
- ★ Mystery Quests/Skype





What does an innovated classroom look like?

https://padlet.com/courtney\_plumridge/dfaubt2wufrg



### Kahoot

### Go to kahoot.it

https://create.kahoot.it/?\_ga=1.81019415.1082136748.1449686259&deviceId=9edbd1ba-3bd4-4bb8-9465-7bb4b83c82f9

A few of our students created a short game showing examples of VTC in our classroom.





### **Skills & Experiences**

- Gaining better communication, confidence and understanding
- □ Knowing how video conferencing can be used in various fields
- Working well in groups and group settings
- □ Video conferencing etiquette
- □ Active listening skills

#### Using Videoconferencing Appropriately

- Plan attire carefully, avoiding patterns and bright colors
- Speak in crisp tone, conversational tone
- Pay close attention to body language
- · Avoid culturally insensitive gestures
- Practice with a colleague sharpen delivery

### **Benefits of Video Conferencing**

- **G** Reduced travel cost
- Colleges and jobs will be more interested
- □ Learning about various cultures
- Hearing first person perspectives on various topics

#### □ Unique experiences with video conferencing sets us apart from other students

#### **ADVANTAGES**

- Significant Travel Savings
- Improved Communication
- Increased Productivity
- Time savings.
- Convenience
- Collaboration
- Stronger relationships
- Increased collaboration ;
- Access to dispersed resource
- Reduced environmental impact

