Welcome to today's webinar. The webinar will start promptly at 11 a.m. Central time. Until then, you may hear periodic announcements of our start time, but don't worry if you hear silence for a while. We are here and look forward to sharing today's topic with you.

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## A little about you?

- Your primary role:
  - Educator
  - Clinician
  - Parent
  - Researcher
  - Other

## Agenda

#### **Define learner variability**

#### Understand learner variability and how it affects

- Classroom management
- Individual performance
- Teaching decisions

Choose strategies to support learner variability and personalize instruction

## Learner Variability



### What Type of Variability

#### WHAT?

#### **Achievement**

Subject Knowledge Standardized Tests 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills

#### HOW?

#### Cognitive

Reasoning Memory Efficiency

**Executive Functions** 

#### Behavior/SEL

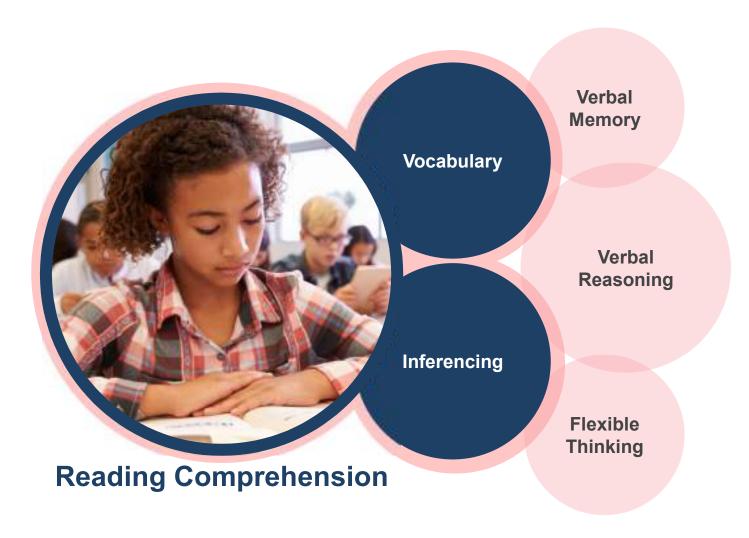
Self-Awareness
Self-Management
Social Awareness
Decision Making
Relationships

WHY?



## Foundational Skills:

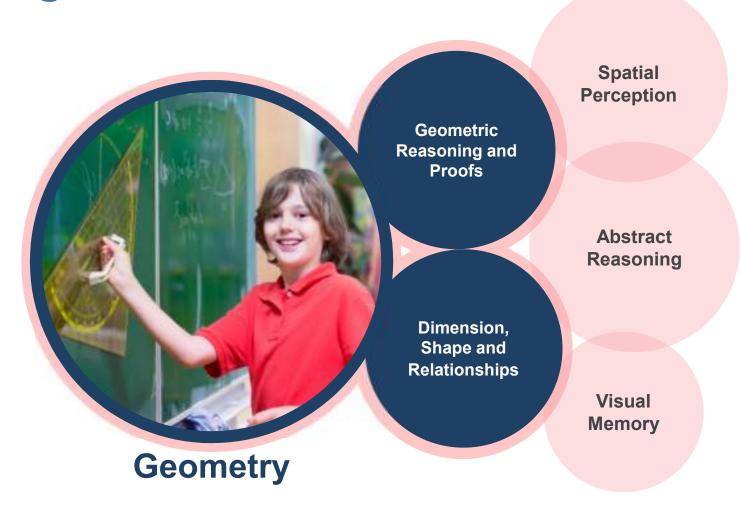
## Understand <u>how</u> to develop core skills for each learner





Learning
Progressions:

Anticipate <u>changing</u> needs by topic





## Social-Emotional Learning:

Understand and support <u>root</u> <u>cause</u> of behavior



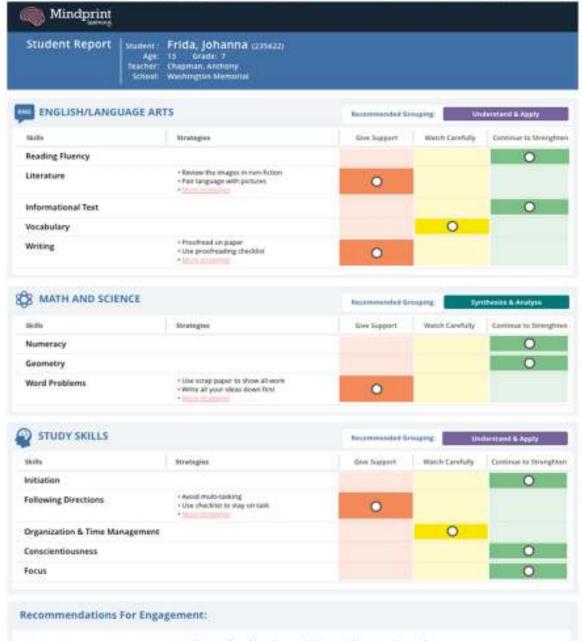
#### **FUNDAMENTALS OF HOW WE LEARN**

DOMAINS	REASONING	SPEED	MEMORY	EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS
SKILLS (DIMENSIONS)	Verbal Understanding and/or drawing inferences based on what you read or hear	Processing Rate of seeing, processing and understanding	Verbal Storing and recalling what you read or hear	Attention Initiating work and then maintaining sustained focus and behavior
	Abstract Understanding and/or drawing inferences from objects, images, numbers or concepts (without language-based explanation)	Visual Motor Efficiency in integrating visual and motor skills to complete a task. Often referred to as reaction time or response time	Visual Storing and recalling concepts, numbers, objects, or other non-language information	Working Memory Holding onto distinct bits of information in short-term memory and applying it during multi-step tasks
	Spatial Understanding visual and 3-D materials			Flexibility Adjusting and changing your approach to solve problems
INDICATORS & EXAMPLES	Verbal  Reading Comprehension  Written Content  Math word problems  Abstract  Math Reasoning (Numeracy, Pattern recognition, Algebra, Calculus)  Scientific Reasoning  Non-Fiction Reading	Processing  Reading fluency  Math fact fluency  Class participation (Efficiently listening and responding)  Efficiency on written work, tests	Verbal  Vocabulary  Spelling/grammar  Reading comprehension (key details)  Retention of class discussion	Attention Class participation Task completion (Getting started, staying focused) Homework efficiency  Working Memory Mental math Multi-step problems/following directions Note taking
	Spatial  Reading fluency (Visual tracking)  Multi-stop math problems  Geometry/Graphs/Charts  Physics  Art/Design	Visual Motor  ○ Handwriting, Typing  ○ Note taking  ○ Hands-on projects (Science experiments, sports)	Visual  Math facts  Math & science formulas  Geometry  Retention of objects, images, charts, numbers or concepts	Flexibility  Problem solving  Transferring concepts  Project-based work  Adapting to surprises or disappointments
PROCESS	Understanding & Applying	Efficiency	Remembering	Organizing & Adapting

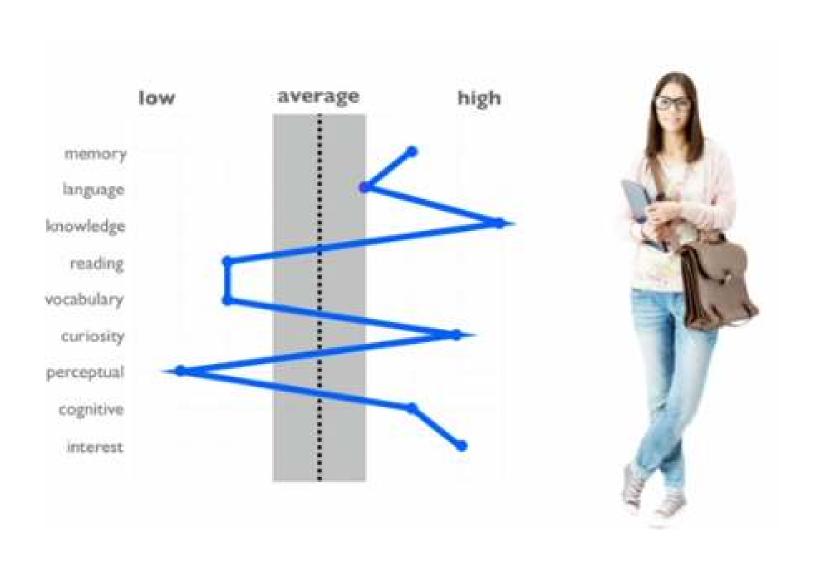
### Learner Profile: Visualizing individual variability



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### **Jagged Profile:** The End of Average by Todd Rose



### **Options for Non-Academic Skills**

- References and Non-Profit Resources
  - CASEL
  - Understood
  - Eye to Eye
  - Child Mind Institute
  - MSLQ

#### Platforms and Products

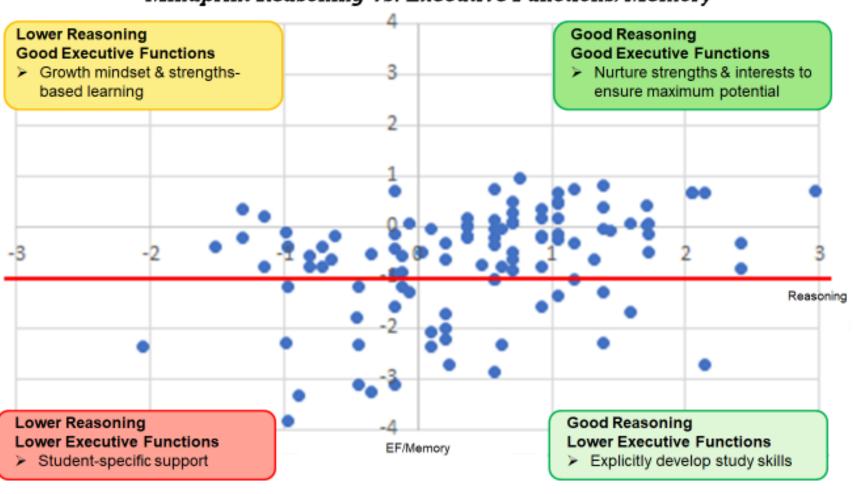
- Aperture
- ACT/Tessera/Big 5
- Character Lab
- The Empowered Student (Mindprint/CAST)
- Sanford Harmony
- o <u>BrainWare</u>

### What we know about learner variability

- Most students have the innate reasoning capability of mastering K12 subject content
- But other skills can interfere...
  - Focus/Executive Functions
  - Efficiency
  - Memory/Retention
  - Motivation/Mindset
  - Social-Emotional (anxiety, depression, stress)

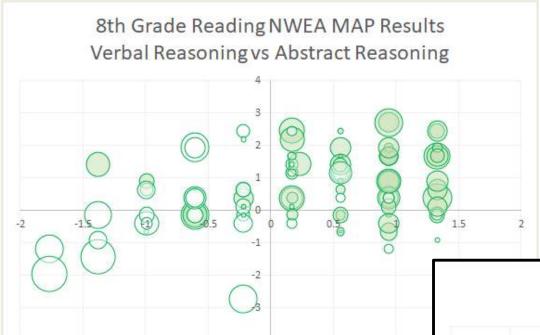
### Students are Capable: But MOST need strategies

#### Mindprint Reasoning vs. Executive Functions/Memory

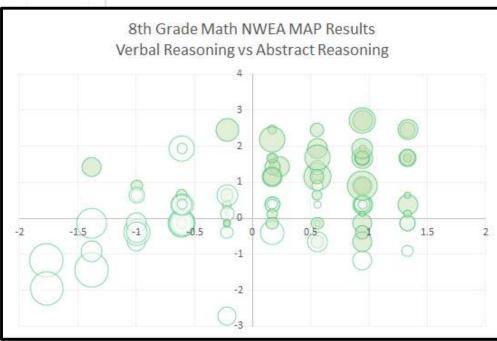


## Cognitive Explains Achievement:

## Why and <u>how</u> to move students to "green"



Green bubbles >= Median performance White bubbles < Median performance Bubble size represents differential from the median



### **Self-Reflection**

#### Strengths/High

- How did they help you succeed?
- Do you wish you could have used them MORE in school?
   How?
- What would school have been like if you didn't have your strengths?

#### Skills to Support/Low

- How did they create challenges for you?
- How did you overcome those challenges?

## **Implications**

#### Strengths/High

- Are there students who might have strengths that you aren't seeing?
- Do students with certain types of strengths have more opportunities than other strengths?
- What could you do in your classroom to nurture different types of strengths

#### Skills to Support/Low

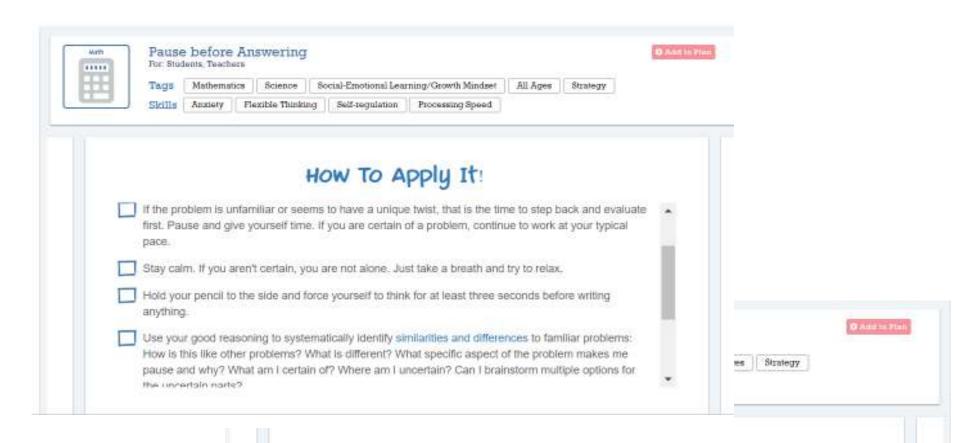
- Are there students' whose skills are masking their strengths
- How could you support students who struggle with specific skills if you knew them?



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## 500+ Evidenced Based Strategies: Targeted and actionable

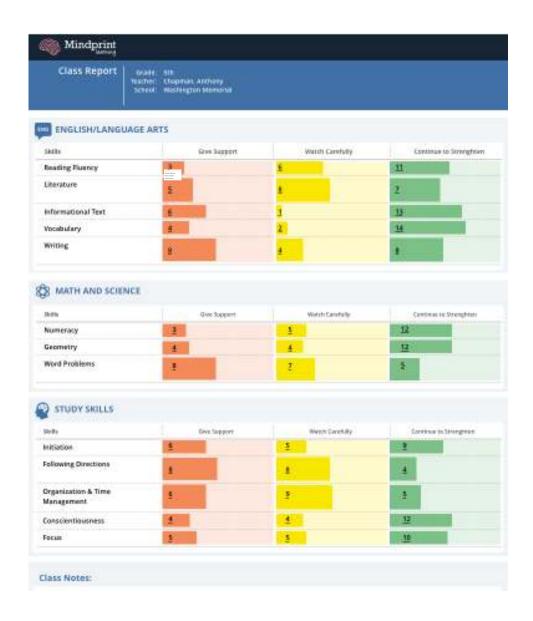


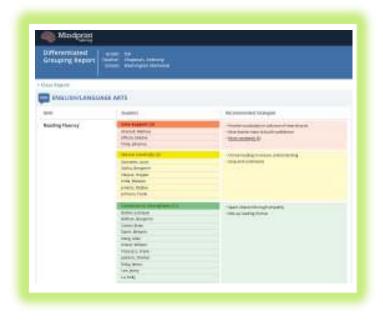
#### why It works (the Science of Learning)!

Research on students solving unfamiliar problems, showed that most students make quick decisions on a problem solving approach and persist on that path, whether right or wrong. Taking time to simply pause, ask yourself some specific questions or use a picture, is shown to result in significantly better outcomes.

## Whole Class Instruction:

## Efficiently differentiate based on how students learn best



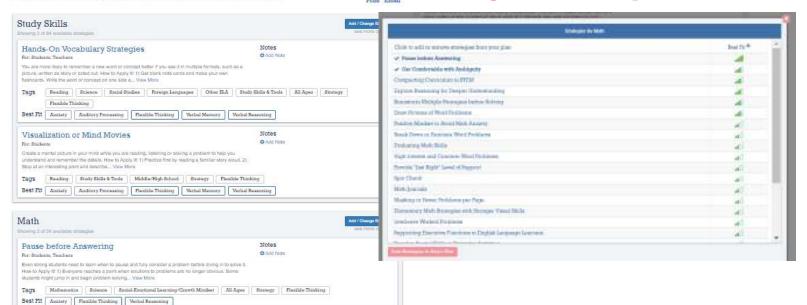


## Personalized Instruction:

#### Focus, plan and support



Add/change subjects and best fit strategies based on preferences



## Other Options for Strategies

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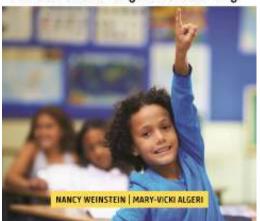
**Understood.org** 

Visible Learning

**CAST/Universal Design for Learning** 

## The Empowered Student

A Guide to Self-Regulated Learning



http://castpublishing.org/books-media/empowered-student/

### Mindprint's Proprietary Assessment



**Broad:** Ages 8-21

Easy: Cloud-based, Self-Paced,

**Group Optional** 

Efficient: 45 min - 1 Hour

Administrable over multiple

sessions





Effective and Evidence Based:

- Normed with 10,000 children
- Cited in 250+ academic papers
- Translated in 50+ languages
- Used by NASA





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