



# Framework for Depth and Complexity

Supporting teachers to take their students to a new level of depth and complexity in learning

## Overview

A powerful framework brought to you from the treasury of NZCGE's work with gifted students.

Developed in the 1990's by Dr Sandra Kaplan and Bette Gould, the Framework for Depth and Complexity consists of five components: Depth and Complexity Icons/Prompts, Content Imperative Icons/Prompts, Universal Concepts and Generalisations, Disciplinarian Thinking and Scholarly Habits, and Higher Level Thinking Skills.

Educators are turning to Depth and Complexity as the pedagogical engine that ensures students are prompted to think in a deeper manner about less content. Its presence in 2019 is greater internationally than at any time since its creation and introduction into education in the States. While used originally within Gifted/Talented Education programmes, Depth and Complexity has "spilled-over," as intended, into the heterogeneous classroom.

NZCGE is collaborating with **JTaylor Education (USA)** to ensure quality PLD true to the Framework and tailored for application within the New Zealand Curriculum and school context.

*"The NZCGE's understanding of the foundations of the Depth and Complexity Framework is evident in the work, programs, and workshops they are designing. I fully support the staff and provide my stamp of approval to their organisation as Depth and Complexity experts."*

John Gould, President, JTaylor Education, 2016



## Half-Day Taster Workshops 2020

### Kerikeri

First week of June  
 TBC

### Auckland

Tuesday, 26 May  
 1.30pm - 5.00pm  
[Kohia Education Centre](#)

### Hamilton

Thursday 18 June  
 1.30pm - 5.00pm  
 TBC

### Tauranga

Thursday 11 June  
 1.30pm - 5.00pm  
[Arataki Community Centre](#)

### Rotorua

Friday 12 June  
 8.30am - 12.00pm  
[MindPlus Classroom](#)  
[Kaitao Intermediate School](#)

### Wellington

Friday 5 June  
 8.30am - 12.00pm  
[Hutt Valley Chamber of Commerce](#)

### Christchurch

Thursday 11 June  
 1.30pm - 5.00pm  
[Upper Riccarton Library](#)

### Wakatipu

Friday 26 June  
 8.30am - 12.00pm  
[MindPlus Classroom](#)  
[Kingsview School](#)

## Cost

**\$160 + gst per person**

**\$120 + gst per person** with NZCGE Tier 3 Contributing School Discount

**\$0.00 per person** with NZCGE Tier 4 Contributing School Discount

## To register

Click on or type in the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DandCWorkshops>

**NOTE:** NZCGE is also able to deliver the taster workshop to individual schools or clusters of schools on an as requested and negotiated basis. Please contact [anna.meuli@nzcge.co.nz](mailto:anna.meuli@nzcge.co.nz) to register your interest.

## Classroom Implementation Modules

For Educators/Schools/COLs

Five face to face and/or online Modules -

- 1 - Overview and Learning Environment Essentials
- 2 - Depth and Complexity and Content Imperative Prompts
- 3 - Disciplinarian Thinking
- 4 - Conceptual Thinking Part 1
- 5 - Conceptual Thinking Part 2

## For more information or to register your interest

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