CLASSIFYING

Process Guidelines

* Create a classification system which entails

  - Identifying the items that are to be classified and the characteristic that will be the focus of the classification
  - Creating the categories for that characteristic by specifying the attribute(s) for membership in the category

* Place items in categories by determining if they fit the attributes for membership in the category.

* If needed, combine categories or split them into smaller categories and specify the new attribute(s).

Thoughtful Application: Decide if it would be valuable to reclassify the items using a different characteristic or set of categories, or to add more items to classify. Consider whether this classification is leading to any insights or extended learning.

Reflect on your work and articulate <u>what you learned</u>, e.g.,
  - what you notice that hadn't occurred to you before?
  - what surprises and troubles you?
  - what is confusing and clear?