

# Cultural Capital and A - Z

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Whose culture is it anyways?



# Cultural Capital

- **1970s French sociologist, Pieere Bourdieu: how power in society is transferred and social classes maintained.....**
- **.....The cultural knowledge that serves as currency that helps us navigate culture and alters our experiences and the opportunities available to us.**
- **‘It is the essential knowledge that pupils need to be educated citizens, introducing them to the best that has been thought and said and helping to engender an appreciation of human creativity and achievement.’ (NC)**
- **‘The best that has been thought and said’ - Matthew Arnold, 1869**













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# 21st Century Zeitgeist

- **Climate degradation** (Tim Marshall)
- **The movement of peoples** (Paul Collier)
- **Religious wars** (Richard Dawkins)
- **Liberal democracies don't have (all) the answers.....** (Fukuyama)

*What's it like to be someone else? Climb inside their skin....*



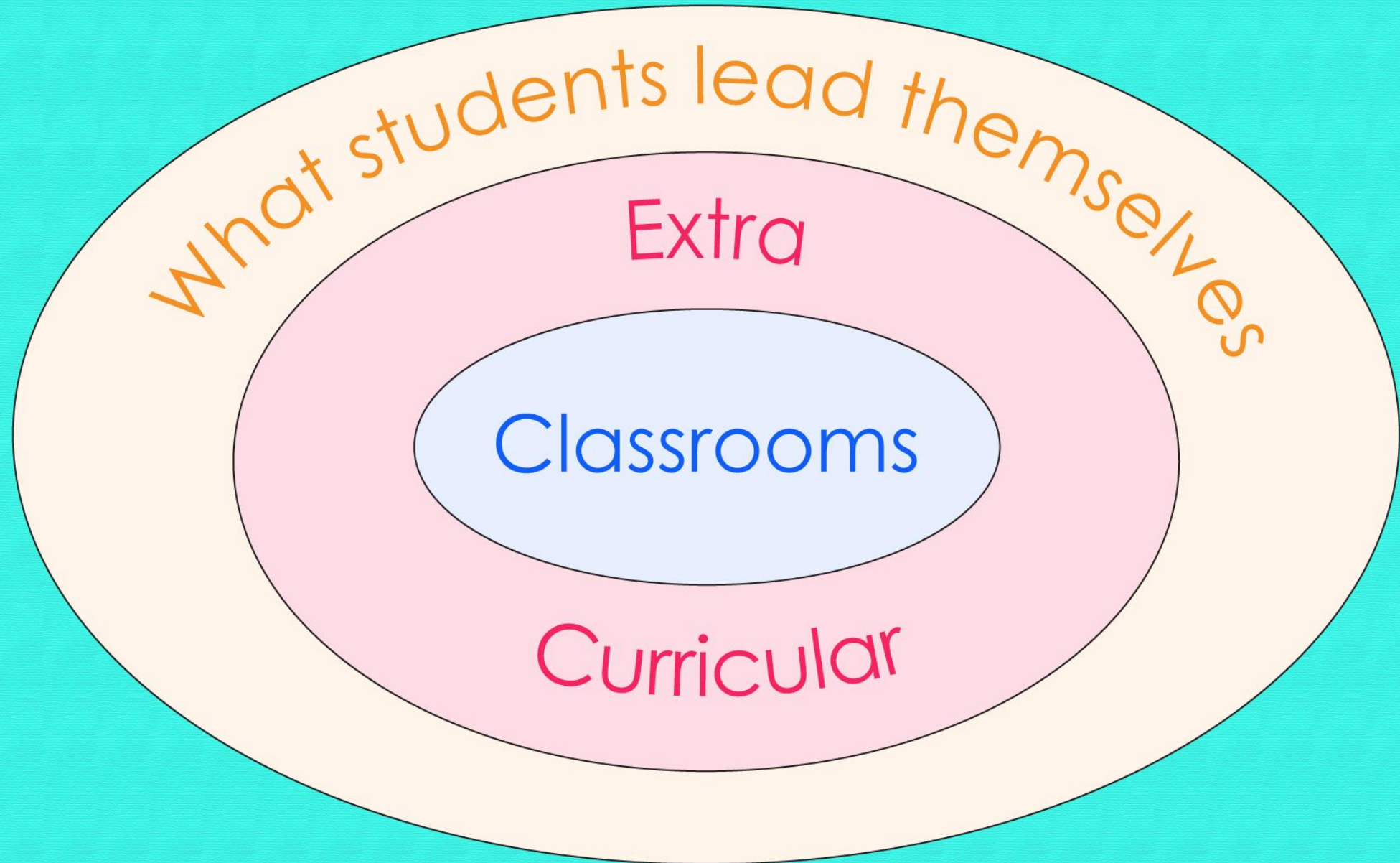
# All societies in education wrestle with....

- 1. Knowledge and Skills (which shall be first among equals?)**
- 2. 3Rs - 4Rs?**
- 3. Technologies - help or hindrance?**
- 4. National identity**
- 5. Citizen for today and tomorrow**

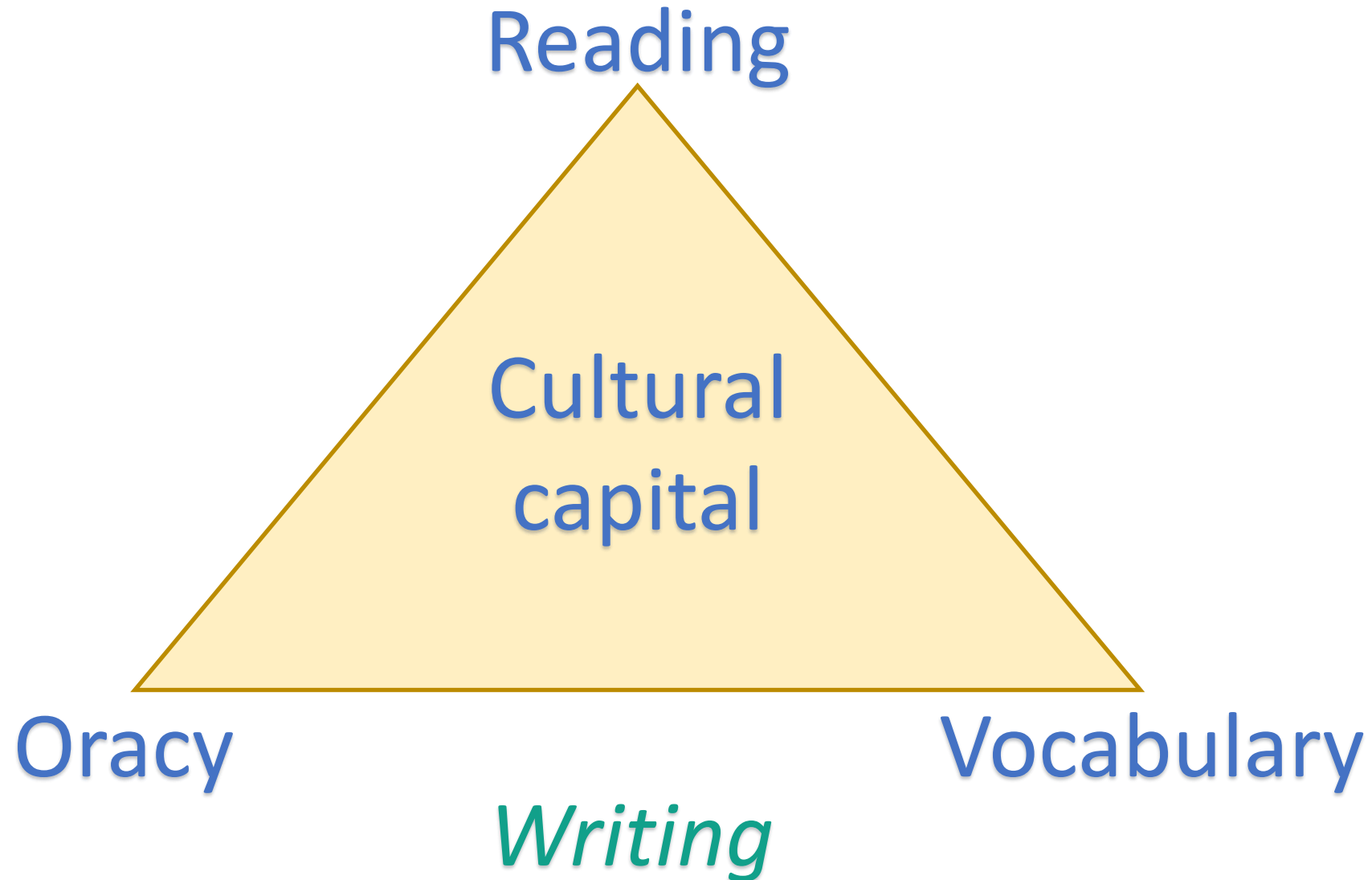




# What school is all about



# The A-Z of every classroom





# The Children Act - Ian McEwan

'She listed some relevant ingredients, goals towards which a child might grow.

Economic and moral freedom, virtue, compassion and altruism, satisfying work through engagement with demanding tasks, a flourishing network of personal relationships, earning the esteem of others, pursuing larger meanings to one's existence. and having at the centre of one's life one or a small number of significant relations defined above all by love.'



