PERSONAL MISSION

What is your personal mission statement as a teacher? (If you no longer teacher, what was it or might it have been?)

A mission statement is a commitment to a long-term priority outcome. It is thus, for teachers, cast in terms of the ultimate results you aim to cause in *learners*; it is not what you do or believe. A teaching mission summarizes –

- Your bottom-line learning goal(s)
- The point of all the content
- Why you teach what you do
- What counts as ultimate "success" in your work with learners;
- What you want to remain and last when the details are forgotten.

My mission as a teacher: in the end, I am aiming for my students to...

WHAT IS UNDERSTANDING?

When you "really" understand you can- (answer in general terms or in terms of a specific subject or topic.)	Even though you may know a lot, you don't really understand if you can only

Given you answers, what 1-2 common teacher practices *unwittingly* undercut the aim of understanding?