Traditional Teaching Versus Team-Based Learning (TBL)

Means for Accomplishing the Key Educational Tasks Required for Higher-Level Learning

**Basic Learning Tasks to be Accomplished**
1. INITIAL EXPOSURE (develop familiarity with & language to discuss concepts)
2. APPLICATIONS (develop students; ability to USE concepts)

**Primary Opportunities**
- Students working alone
- Instructor and students in class
- Students working in groups

**Additional Modes***
- Assistant and students in “lab”
- Students 1-on-1 with instructor
- Students work with mentor

*These “additional modes” usually increase instructional costs (time and/or $).

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**Traditional Teaching**

1. Initial Exposure to Content
   - Instructor and students in class

2. Applications
   - Students working alone
   - Group assignments outside class (Students working in groups?)
   - Assistant and students in “lab”
   - Students 1-on-1 with instructor

**Team-Based Learning**

1. Initial Exposure to Content
   - Students working alone (pre-class)
   - Students working in groups (in-class, i.e., Readiness Assurance Process)

2. Applications
   - Students working in groups (in-class)
   - Instructor and students in class