Bean and Assignments for Your Lesson Plan (25 min)

Step One
In groups of three, talk about this question: which of the many assignments that Bean mentions could you use in a class, and why would you use it? Be ready to discuss, face-to-face, your thoughts.

Step Two
Chris’ Discussion questions about Bean:
❖ What do you make of Bean’s insistence on written directions for writing?
❖ What about his approach (which is task and audience driven)? Do you think this would work in your field? Why or why not?
❖ What about his idea of leverage in writing: the idea of students doing more work. How do you see that as being significant.
❖ What do you think of how Bean tells us to assess student writing?
❖ Key Question: What role do you think that writing will play in your teaching, working with students?