

Understanding the Origin

One way to use deep linking is the historical method. This is where you research the origin of the idea. And by using the origin you can help understand the idea better and get a rich source of connections to create more understandings and more memorability for the idea itself. So in a nontechnical class you could look at well how did this branch or this discipline originate. In a technical class you can look at the idea itself. What problem was it invented to solve? Or how was it discovered? And a perfect example of this is the natural logarithm. So you might be studying the natural logarithm in a mathematics class it might be kind of confusing and not really sinking in and not really being able to remember it vividly.

You can use deep linking to focus on, well what's the origin of the idea. And you discover that the origin of natural logarithm is in use in compound interest calculations. So it was originally developed to figure out, well how would you do compound interest if the interest were being computed continuously, not just every month or year or day.

So if you go into the origins of the idea, that can give you a rich source of connections and help you understand the idea better to generate new insight.