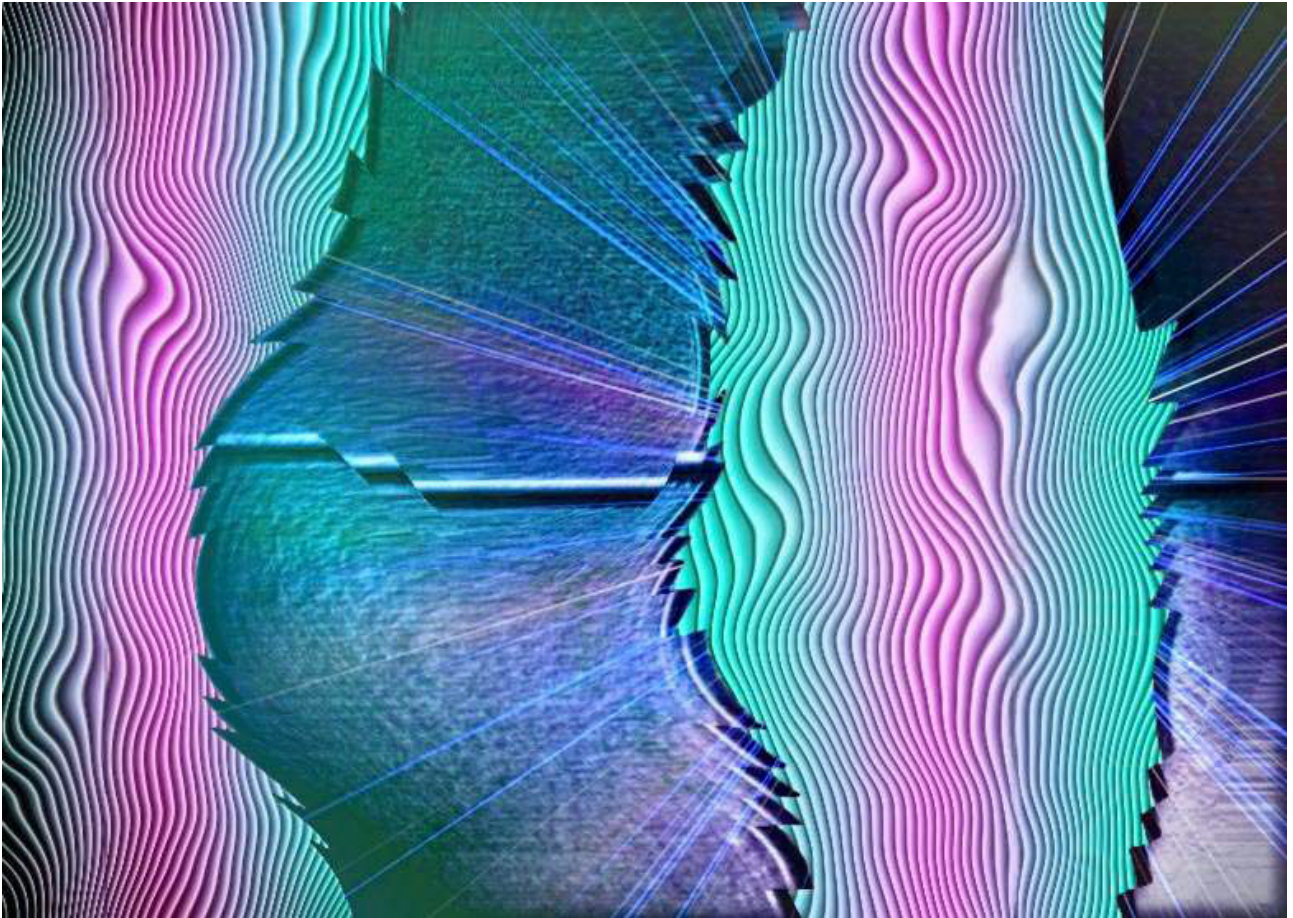


CLASS DYNAMICS:

Exploring Classroom Interactions



Melissa: What class dynamics are going on here?

Tim: How can we know? There are so many levels of interaction in every class. We only catch a fraction of what's going on.

Melissa: Let me be honest and say I don't agree with this whole concept of "levels." Doesn't that create an artificial hierarchy?

Tim: Okay. Fair enough.

Melissa: And isn't it tiring to focus on so much?

Tim: Not really, especially if you do it playfully. If you don't enjoy exploring what goes on in class, you're probably shouldn't be a teacher.

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