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>> SLIDE 2

# Engaging the Youth to Unleash the Power of Storytelling in Self-Advocacy

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# >> SLIDE 3: Introduction

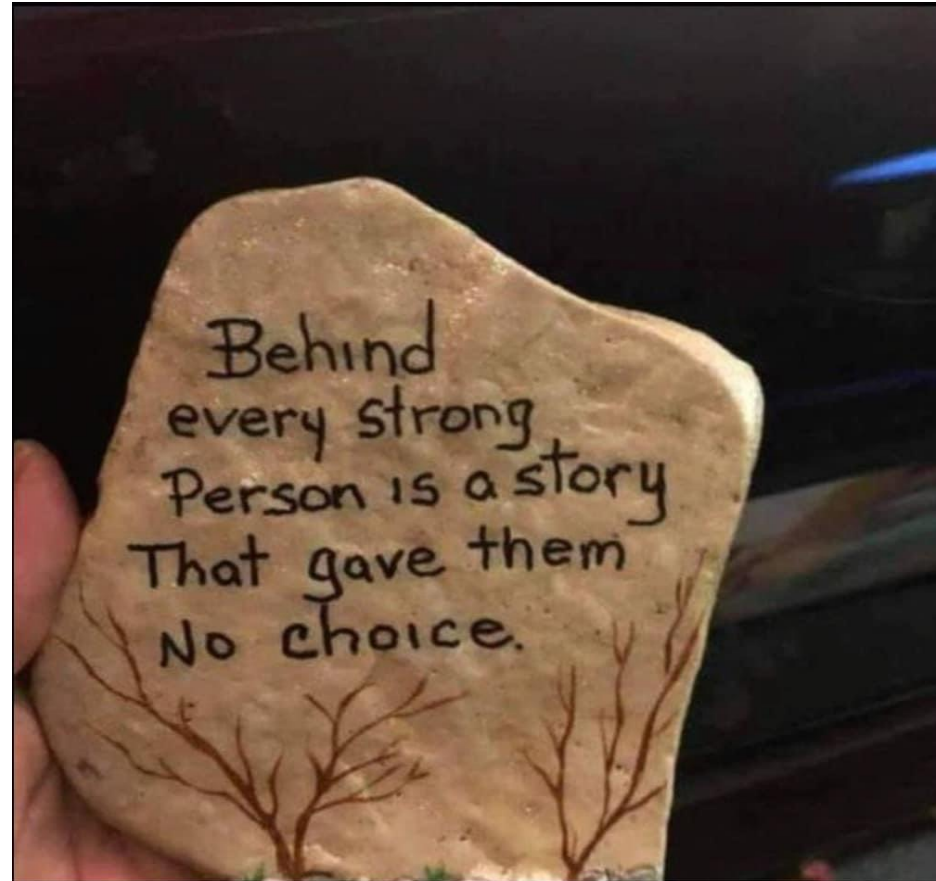
1. Introduction & Icebreaker
2. Discussing the stone in Schools & Communities
3. Decoding the Lion Proverb
4. Ubuntu/ UDL, and other Frameworks
5. Importance of Self-Advocacy
6. Sharing our stories
7. Final Tips & Takeaways

Questions

# >> SLIDE 4: Do you believe in this?

- A stone with an inscription:

Behind every person is a story that gave them no choice.



# >> SLIDE 5: What does this mean to you?

“Until the lion learns how to write, every story will glorify the hunter.”

— African proverb

# >> SLIDE 6: The Power of Story Telling

- What Strategies or practices have you found most effective in promoting self care?
- How important is Self- Advocacy in story telling?
- How can storytelling be used as an effective advocacy tool to promote the rights and inclusion of children with disabilities

# >> SLIDE 7: The Power of Self-Advocacy

- It helps you hold your community leaders & policy makers accountable
- It gives you self- awareness & Resilience skills
- It builds you to accept and own your disability to develop Disability Pride
- It empowers you to know your rights and the laws very well
- It gives one confidence to ask for the tools you need to be successful in the real world.

# >> SLIDE 8:

- Ubuntu Framework
- The Power of Africa Proverb
- Group Work with Ubuntu sign in Yellow circle.

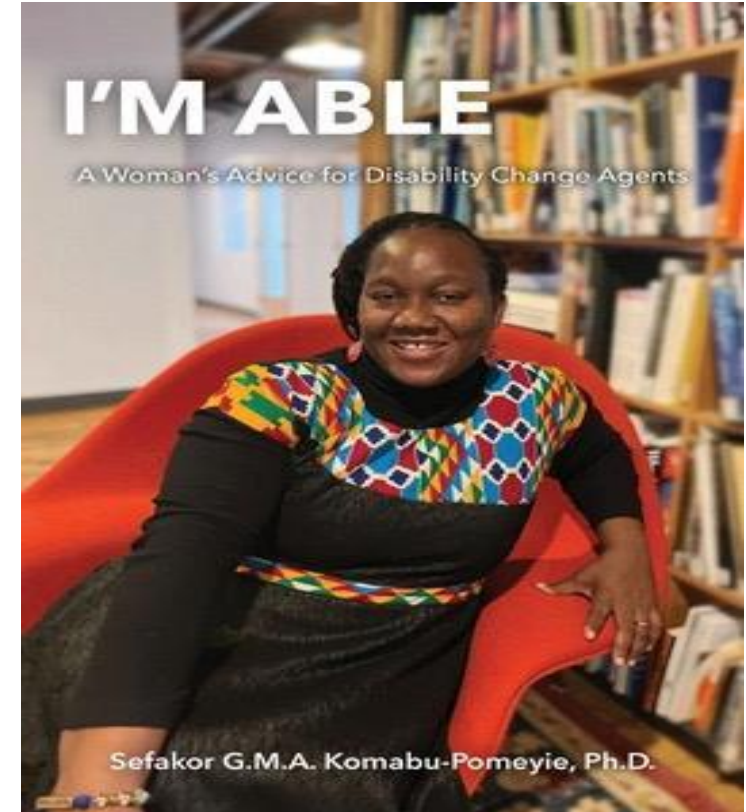




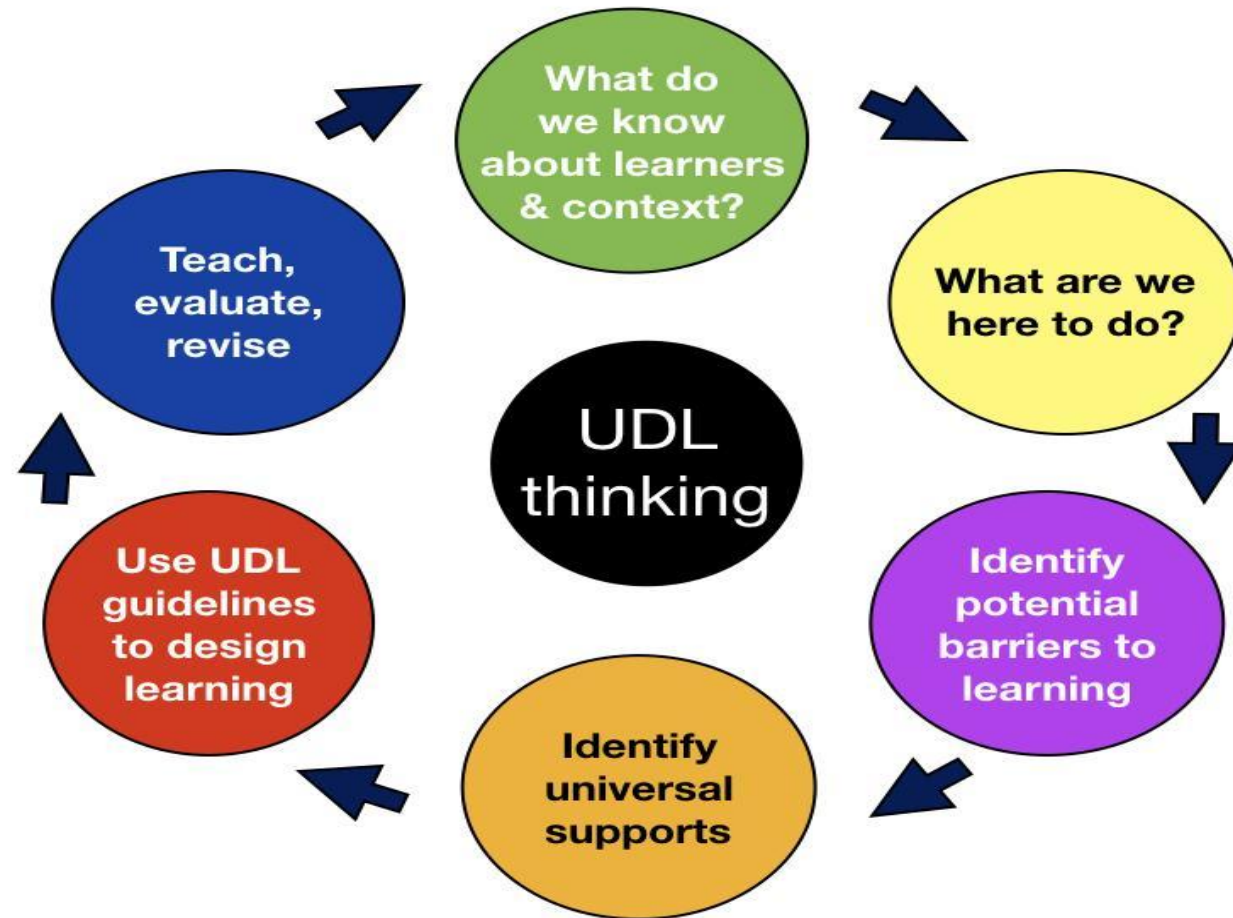
# >> SLIDE 9: My Story

- A book cover, with the title:

*I'M ABLE: A Woman's Advice to Disability Change Agents:*



# >> SLIDE 10: Universal Design for Learning



# >> SLIDE 11: Working with the Hope Tree

- Reflect on what you might include in a personal pledge to create and promote self-advocacy and story telling in your personal or professional life/setting.



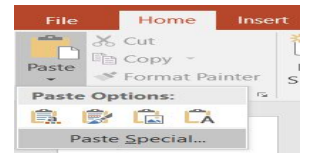
# >> SLIDE 12: Final Tips and Takeaways

- What is your takeaway from this discussion?
- Any hope?



# >> SLIDE 13: Contact

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# Questions?



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