The strategies in this section emphasize the importance of helping students move beyond “right answer” learning to an expanded understanding and use of concepts and skills in real-world contexts. These strategies help students become more efficient and flexible in using what they have learned. The strategies in this section include

- Identifying Similarities and Differences
- Generating and Testing Hypotheses

When students are involved in identifying similarities and differences and/or generating and testing hypotheses, they are very often thinking and applying their knowledge at a higher level or with more rigor. Teachers should intentionally use the strategies in this section to help students take their learning to a higher and more meaningful level.