

5 Tips

To Improve Student Learning

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Use Multiple Measures!

Multiple measures in assessment systems are effective when they are fair, balanced, and grounded in the art and science of teaching, reflective of curricular and developmental goals, used to inform and improve instruction, designed for diverse learners and designed to be valid and reliable and fairly assess the unique and diverse abilities of learners.

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Assess the Impact of Student Learning!

Students and teachers continuously need to gather evidence of learning in the moment to adapt what happens in the classroom to meet students where they are ready to learn and cultivate critical thinking for all students as they engage with complex tasks & texts. 1. **Clarifying Learning** for and with Learners

2. **Eliciting Evidence** Using a Variety of Methods
3. **Providing Feedback** to Move Learners Forward
4. **Reflecting on the Learning** Experience for Learners
5. **Activating Learning** for Self and Peers

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Model Successful Teachers in Action!

Believe in success for all students and actively engage all students in learning, using **interaction, discourse** and **writing** around complex texts. **Establish a culture of learning.** Cultivate a **growth mindset** and provide students with processes, strategies and tools to own their own learning. Keep all members of the learning team responsible for learning and supporting others to accomplish goals.

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Leverage Seven Strategies to Monitor Learning!

Where Am I Going?

Strategy 1: Provide students with clear and student-friendly vision of the learning target.

Strategy 2: Use samples and models of strong and weak work.

Where Am I Now?

Strategy 3: Offer clear & descriptive feedback during the learning.

Strategy 4: Teach students to self-assess and set goals for next level learning.

How Can I Close the Gap?

Strategy 5: Use evidence of students' learning needs to determine next steps in teaching.

Strategy 6: Design focused instruction, followed by practice with feedback to maximize student learning.

Strategy 7: Provide students opportunities to track, reflect on, and share their learning progress with their peers and others.

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Use Guiding Questions Daily!

1. How Do We Know that Our Children Are Learning?
2. How Do We Know that They Are Learning Enough?
3. What Data Are We Using to Inform This Decision?
4. If They Are Not Learning, Why Not?
5. What Actions Will We Take to Improve Learning?