

BOOKMARK Tips: How To Talk Less So That Students Think More

Clear Expectations vs. Acceptable Struggle

- ✓ Let Students Know What The Boundaries Are//Do Not Make All Decisions
- ✓ Give Students The Necessary Info.//Do Not Answer Every Potential Question and Solve Every Potential Problem
- ✓ Provide For Student Safety And A Respectful Learning Environment//Do Not Avoid Appropriate Risks

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When To Intervene In The Struggle

- ✓ When The Student Has Been Struggling For A Very Long Time For The Given Situation
- ✓ When The Student Starts To Show Physical Or Emotional Distress (Beyond A Bit Of Frustration)
- ✓ When The Student CLEARLY Can Not Do The Task

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How To Intervene In The Struggle

- ✓ Use A "Least To Most" Approach
- ✓ Use Friendly, Positive And Encouraging Words And Phrases, i.e. "Your Almost There!"
- ✓ Acknowledge And Compliment What Was Done Correctly
- ✓ Ask Leading Questions Instead Of Providing Answers

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