

# *BEST TEACHING STRATEGIES*

## *Teach Back Challenge*

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How can you use the following best teaching strategies to plan your lesson? Your challenge is to see how many of these boxes you can mark (“x”) because you’ve included them in your lesson plan.

1. **Feeling** - Students learn if they feel something - connection to the teacher, the teacher’s passion for the subject, or an experience that helps them feel. How can you bring feeling into your lesson?

2. **Five Senses** - Students learn better when you engage more of their senses in the content or whatever you are trying to teach them. How can you incorporate several senses like sight (a visual), sounds, touch, taste, smell?

3. **Care** - Students learn better when the teacher shows consideration, kindness and care for the student. Their needs need to be taken care of in order for them to focus on the lesson. How can you care for your learner?

4. **Choice** - Offering students a limited (2) and authentic (either one you choose is fine) choice motivates students and gives them a sense of power and control in their learning. How can you give your student a choice?

5. **Individual Learning Style** - Every individual student learns best differently. For example, some learn better through videos. Some learn better through writing. Some learn better through creative projects. How can you find out how your students learn best and use that to help plan your lessons?

6. **Student Knowledge** - Students are more motivated and engaged when they bring their own knowledge and experience to co-construct learning. How can you ask good questions or engage students in a way that brings their knowledge out to contribute to what you are learning?

7. **Reflection** - “We do not learn from experience, we learn from reflection on experience.” - John Dewey, Education Reformer. Students learn from considering open-ended questions about the experience they’ve had. For example, “when we watched that video about WWII, what was your biggest aha that you never knew before?”