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How to Engage Your Students in the Virtual Classroom

A FREE, LIVE,
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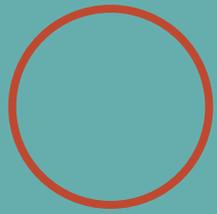
Structure

In order to inspire and maintain consistent engagement you must develop course frameworks.
This involves modular thinking.
Curriculums must include activities and encourage behaviors designed for a virtual space.



Course Frameworks

Leverage your talent. Turn your weaknesses into strengths.



Explore All Video Possibilities

Synchronous vs. Asynchronous

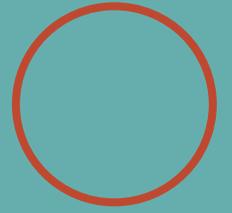
“At the same time.” vs. “Not at the same time.”

Prerecorded, On Demand vs. Live, Real Time

Live classrooms on platforms like Zoom or Google Meet are very important since real time connection creates bonds and builds relationships with the students. Individual recorded video check-ins, group video announcements, pre-recorded educational videos that answer common questions or address common challenges, etc. can provide a more personalized experience.

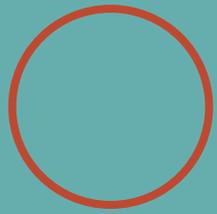
Test Everything Available to Make Learning Actionable

- ★ Watch/Read and Respond (written or video)
- ★ Writing Assignments
- ★ Research Projects
- ★ Personal Journals
- ★ Discussion Boards
- ★ Gamification
- ★ Exams/Quizzes
- ★ Peer Mentoring
- ★ Group Work/Breakouts



Use
Interactive
Tools





Demonstrate Skill and Apply Knowledge

Whether it's live or pre-recorded, every 15 - 20 minutes of video instruction should be followed by an activity or exercise.

Activities should include a demonstration of skill or application of knowledge.

Adjust your pacing so lecture-style content and experiential-style content are interwoven.

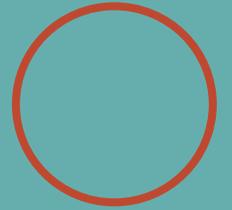
Student questions are often revealed when they take or attempt an action.

Create Structure for Parental Involvement

Parents are involved in different ways based on age and situation. Many variables affect a parent's engagement, but that has always been true.

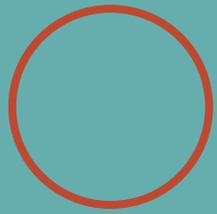


Give parents a productive way to share concerns, ask questions, give feedback. Make this communication structure efficient and manageable for yourself as well.



Communicate
and
Engage
Parents





Create Office Hours for Students

Create specific time frames regularly when students can reach out to you for help more privately.

Use this time also to invite students who are struggling to meet with you and discuss the problems.



Reward Students

When They Really Invest

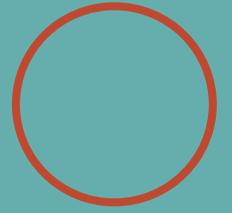
Assign leadership roles for students who have the ability to support others.

Example: invite them to manage the chat in a live class.



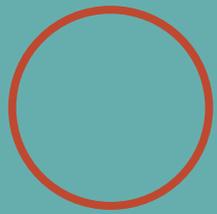
Give rewards and recognitions to individuals or groups of students.

Example: virtual gold stars.



Leadership &
Recognition





Visuals Matter

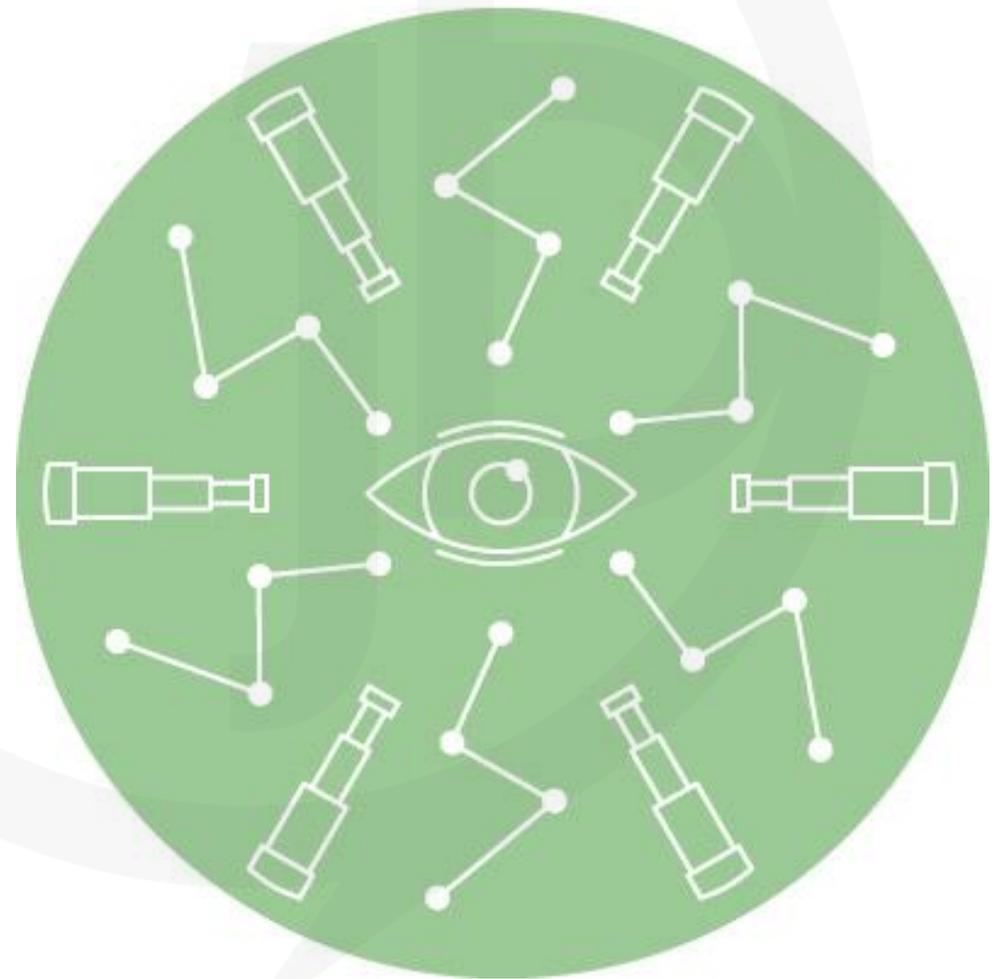
Some students process information more visually.

Common file formats:

- photos or graphics - JPEG or PNG
- videos - mp4 or MOV
- printable content - PDF

Common Tools:

- Google Drive, Microsoft Office
- Canva.com and YouTube.com



Connect

Breakouts

1. Quickly introduce yourself. Include your name, location, and what you teach.
2. Share 1 strategy for structure you can employ or adapt for use in your classroom?



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