

# High Yield Teaching and Learning Strategies—Literacy

We practise language and literacy across disciplines. Each discipline or field has particular ways of thinking, doing, and being, which include the types of language and texts that are used and how these languages and texts are used.

**Why?** Educators' professional judgments are based on current research about how students learn. These high yield teaching and learning strategies support language and literacy learning in online learning environments.

**How?** Short- and long-term planning for language and literacy learning in online environments requires the intentional use of high yield teaching and learning strategies. The following strategies, organized by their primary purpose/intent, either directly refer to an online learning context or could easily be adapted for online learning.

**What?** The following list includes a variety of high yield literacy teaching and learning strategies.

## Building Community

The following resources provide high yield strategies for building community:

- [5 Virtual Learning Resources: Free Templates to Promote Student Belonging](#)
- [Online Sharing Circle](#)
- [Virtual Community Circles](#)
- [Take a Virtual Trip Here!](#)

## Collaborative Learning

The following resources provide high yield strategies for collaborative learning:

- [Flexible Grouping: What You Need to Know](#)
- [Virtual Learning How-To: Think-Pair-Share](#)
- [Discussion Protocols](#)
- [8 Strategies to Improve Participation in Your Virtual Classroom](#)
- [101: How to Run Virtual Literature Circles](#)
- [Grand Conversations](#)
- [Sample Collaborative Reasoning Participation Guidelines and Conversational Moves](#)

## Critical Literacy

The following resources provide information about high yield critical literacy strategies:

- [Key Aspects of Critical Literacy](#)
- [Problem Posing Education: 6 Key Characteristics](#)
- [Make Room for Evaluating Sources of Information](#)
- [Make Room for Evaluating Perspectives and Biases](#)

## Questioning

The following resources provide high yield questioning strategies:

- [Road Tested: Five Ways to Strengthen Student Questioning](#)
- [Five Ws and an H and Developing Higher Order Questions](#)
- [50 Brilliant, Original Questions to Ask an Author](#)

## Deep, Flexible Thinking

The following resources provide high yield strategies for deep, flexible thinking:

- [See, Think, Wonder](#)
- [Claim, Support, Question](#)
- [I Used to Think . . . Now I Think . . .](#)
- [Compass Points](#)

## Intentional Teaching

The following resources provide high yield strategies for intentional teaching:

- [Ongoing Assessment and Celebration](#)
- [Writing in an Early Years Classroom](#)
- [Talking to the Text](#)
- [Literacy Techniques: Treasure Words](#)
- [Resources for Students \(Semantic Maps and Graphic Organizers\)](#)

## Multiple Forms of Text

The following resources provide high yield strategies using multiple forms of text:

- [The Case for Multiple Texts](#)
- [Indigenous Educator Uses Land as Text in Outdoor University Course](#)
- [Creating Multimodal Texts](#)
- [A Way to Promote Student Voice—Literally \(student-generated content\)](#)

## Ongoing Feedback

The following resources provide high yield strategies for providing ongoing feedback:

- [Co-Constructing Success Criteria](#)
- [7 Tips for Remote Family-Teacher Conferences](#)
- [7 Ways to Do Formative Assessments in Your Virtual Classroom](#)

## Culturally Responsive Teaching and Learning

The following resources provide high yield strategies for culturally responsive teaching and learning:

- [Deeper Understanding and Rich Learning Experiences](#)
- [Children as Storytellers](#)

## Reflection and Metacognition

The following resource provides high yield strategies for reflection and metacognition:

- [Metacognition](#)