

10 TOP COOPERATIVE LEARNING STRATEGIES



CORNERS

The teacher sticks answers on each corner of a room. When a question is posed, students go to a corner and discuss their answer with others who made the same choice.

EXPERTS

Groups research something (all becoming 'experts' in their topic). Next, mix them up and the 'experts' all share the info learnt.

! ? _ _

Learners read a text and mark:
! for new info
? for puzzling bits
_ _ for understood info.
After, in groups, ! and ? parts are discussed/solved.

QUIZ & FIND

Students write a question they don't know about a topic on a slip of paper. Following this, they must walk around, finding someone who can answer it. They must also try and answer questions.

SHOWDOWN

Learners sit in a circle and the teacher asks a question. They must answer in secret and then when the teacher calls "showdown", all boards must be shown.

THINK, PAIR, SHARE

After a question, learners are given thinking time, then paired talk time then a whole class discussion occurs.

CIRCLES

The class make 2 circles - one inside the other (pupils facing in pairs). The teacher asks a question, then the pairs discuss. After, call a number, and the outside circle moves clockwise the number of children called.

RALLY ROBIN

In pairs, pupils discuss a topic, talking one at a time - in turns. It is helpful to have an object which can be passed.

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30 SEC SPEECH

Students have to prepare a 30 second speech on a new subject. They are then grouped to share their knowledge.

GALLERY WALK

At the end of a lesson, students leave their work open and walk around and view others' progress. They can use sticky notes and make constructive comments.