

WOW ~ Working on the Work
Activities/Suggestions to Encourage Active Engagement
(Listed By Design Qualities)

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

1. Small group activities
2. Supportive peer evaluations
3. Classroom rules posted to Oncourse web page.
4. Address student diversity with students (i.e. culturally, ethnically and intellectually)
5. Other _____

ORGANIZATION OF KNOWLEDGE

1. Rubrics
2. Note cards
3. KWL
4. Graphic Organizers/Thinking Maps/Inspiration/Kidspiration
5. Pre-test & Post-test
6. Summarizing
7. Sing Songs/Raps/Music
8. Pneumonic Devices
9. Student Guides
10. Fold it Flip books
11. Portfolios
12. PowerPoint Presentation
13. United Streaming/Video Resources
14. Online Textbook resources
15. Check List
16. Web Pages (student design)
17. Web Research Tool
18. Outlining / Note Taking (Inspiration or Handwritten)
19. Student Created Study Guides
20. Timeline
21. Contracts
22. Student Repeating Instructions Aloud
23. Note Taking including online or interactive
24. Other _____

CONTENT and SUBSTANCE

1. LA Comprehensive Curriculum/GLEs/Content Standards & Benchmarks/Guiding Questions
2. Pre and Post Tests
3. Interest Surveys
4. Stating & Posting Daily Objectives & Guiding Questions
5. Interdisciplinary Teaching
6. Multimedia
7. Group Work
8. Informal and Alternative Assessments
9. Websites (Video, Interactives, United Streaming, Podcasts, Worldbook Online, Ebsco Data bases, Verizon Thinkfinity, Making Connections)
10. Other _____

AFFIRMATION

1. Posting student work or pictures to web site
2. Community Displays
3. School/Student Displays in classrooms or hallways
4. Awards/Small Rewards
5. Academic Contests/Competitions
6. Project Presentations
7. Video Conference Showcasing
8. Articles in School or local newspapers
9. Other _____

NOVELTY and VARIETY

1. Writing Essays
2. Biographies/Autobiographies with digital pictures
3. Creating Resumes – 20 years in the future
4. Designing Greeting Cards or Trading Cards
5. Scale Models
6. Replicas
7. Descriptive Paragraph Writing
8. Creating Brochures
9. Creating Timelines
10. Essay Sharing/Editors Workshop
11. Developing Board Games
12. Peer Teaching/Tutoring
13. Multimedia
14. United Streaming
15. Music Videos
16. Sculpting
17. Improv
18. Plays
19. Vary the Teaching Setting
20. Graphing
21. Video Presentations
22. Video Conferencing
23. Dioramas
24. Newspaper Articles/Current Events
25. Scavenger Hunt
26. Games/Jeopardy/Qwizdom
27. Simulations
28. WebQuests
29. Simulations
30. Online Interactive Websites
31. Team Teaching / Student Teaching
32. Hands-on Lab Experiments
33. Manipulatives
34. Other _____

CLEAR and COMPELLING PRODUCT STANDARDS

1. Louisiana Comprehensive Curriculum/GLEs/Content Standards & Benchmarks Guiding Questions
2. Writing Rubric
3. Project Rubric (teacher and student designed)
4. Checklist
5. Models (Examples of good/bad)
6. Writing Assessment
7. Practice LEAP/GEE/ iLEAP questions
8. LA Pass Online
9. LA Pass on Paper
10. LA Eagle
11. Edusoft Assessments
12. Skills Tutor
13. Assessment – Individual Conferences / Performance Task Assessment
14. Peer Evaluation
15. Self Evaluation
16. Academic Competitions/Qwizdom
17. Athletic Skills Test
18. Other _____

AUTHENTICITY

1. Student Designed Rubric for the Assignment
2. Student Input into the Components of the Product
3. Portfolio/Resume
4. Real Life Applications
5. Activities Relating to Personal Life
6. Maintain and Balance a Checkbook
7. Practical Reading of primary sources nonfiction
8. Documentaries
9. Service Projects
10. Debate
11. Current Events
12. Webbing/Graphic Organizers
13. Role Playing (Mock Trial)
14. Interest Inventories and Career Aptitude Assessments
15. Simulations/Lab
16. Guest/Professional Speakers
17. Field Trips
18. Design Real Life Experiences
19. Other _____

CHOICE

1. Complete lessons individually or exhibit knowledge learned
2. Allow students to use technology to complete assignments
3. Assignment Alternatives
4. How to Present Work or Projects
5. Choosing Group Partners
6. Self Assessment
7. Student Input on Evaluation Process
8. Media Alternatives
9. Alternate Test Formats
10. Other _____

AFFILIATION

1. Mock Trial
2. Research Project
3. Lab (Science)
4. Literature Circles
5. Study Groups
6. Peer Tutors
7. Guest Speakers
8. Community Volunteers
9. Career Fairs
10. Group Projects
11. Group Discussion
12. Family Reading Night / Study
13. Team Sports/Competitions
14. Drama / Plays
15. Science/Cyber Fair
16. Clubs
17. School Programs / Service Projects
18. Contests
19. Teacher Web Pages & Homework Assignments Posted to Web Site
20. Interdistrict/Intradistrict Collaboration
21. Video Conferences
22. Interviews
23. Cross Mentoring
24. Other _____

PRODUCT FOCUS

1. Directions / Rubric Given to Students
2. Directions shown on paper, homework page, board
3. Project Sheets signed by Parents
4. Example of Projects (teacher highlighting expectations)
5. Presentation of Product
6. Displaying Student Work (teacher highlighting things done well)
7. Publishing Work (teacher highlighting things done well)
8. Projects from the Past Illustrating Exemplar Work
9. Update Homework Page
10. Sending Home Portfolio Every 9 Weeks
11. Test Preparation
12. Student Created Rubrics
13. Three-Phase Writing Process (draft, revise, finalize) with teacher input at each stage
14. Product Based Assessment
15. Students Verbalize Objectives
16. Other _____