

A Blog for Busy Teachers

FREE LANGUAGE-BASED TEACHING STRATEGIES

Quick Tips for Supporting Students in the Hybrid Classroom

Instead of....	Try...
Writing on the board	Projecting a Google Doc and presenting your screen to the remote students
Round robin class discussions	Projecting the remote students on the board so the class feels their presence Encourage them to leave their computers "unmuted" so it is easier to hop in
Diving right into instruction	Spending a few minutes facilitating small talk with the entire class that includes remote students
Instructing right up until the end of the period	Ending instruction a few minutes early so you can check in 1:1 with the remote students - use this time to check comprehension, troubleshoot tech issues, and form a personal relationship
Requiring remote students to have their cameras on all the time	Offering specific opportunities or chunks of time, possibly during independent work, for students to get some time away from their cameras
Giving different tasks or work to remote and in-person students	Finding ways to have the remote students participate in the same way - film or share a video of a lab in science class, send home materials or a list of supplies for art class, etc.
Putting all the responsibility on the student to ask for assistance	Setting up structured opportunities for extra help and check-ins outside of class time.
Requiring students to be on their computers all day"	Considering ways to make elective periods of time away from the screen

