

Empowerments for Student Learning

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"I've not failed; I've found 10,000 ways that don't work." Thomas Edison

If you need some new ideas to motivate your students after Spring Break, think about one or more of the following practices from: Thompson, Julia G. (2007) *The first-year teacher's survival guide*. Danvers, MA. John Wiley & Sons, Inc.

Ways to Motivate Your Students

- 1) Call on every student every day. It keeps each one accountable.
- 2) Ask students to evaluate themselves. They will sometimes work harder to accomplish personal goals.
- 3) Employ cooperative assignments. Division of labor and mutual encouragement may be a positive.
- 4) Provide audiences for student work. Presenting in front of peers may stimulate growth.
- 5) Ask open-ended questions to promote higher level thinking
- 6) Make sure expectations are high. Don't give up on students in the spring.
- 7) Arouse students' curiosity. Try new activities.
- 8) Allow student input whenever you can. Offer choices in assignments and activities.
- 9) Let your own enthusiasm show. Smile and laugh. Attitude is contagious.

With Best Regards,

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