



New Perspective...New Growth

10 Proven Strategies to Help the Under-Resourced Student Succeed

1. Create Mental Models which are internal symbols or representations of external reality. Helps build a bridge between concrete and abstract, helps imbed knowledge and helps with recall of facts.
2. Help change their Future Story: How? Journaling, dream boards, discussions, visualization, goal-setting.
3. Provide opportunities for 'little wins' as often as possible.
4. Maintain high expectations and remind them often.
5. Create opportunities for them to give back and serve others.
6. Include cooperative learning as often as possible. What are the benefits?
7. Teach mutual respect, empathy, compassion. We are born with only 6 innate emotions: Fear, Anger, Happiness, Sadness, Surprise and Disgust. Everything else must be taught and modeled.
8. Relate material to prior knowledge and to their personal lives - make it relevant. How?
9. Have powerful opener to grab their attention...be creative...have fun!
10. Present a lesson in multiple ways to get material stored in their brain. Include movement when possible. Movement is powerful and most kids in poverty are kinesthetic learners.

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