

Motivating the students who don't care by incorporating Approaches to Teaching and Learning

Most teachers struggle with students who show distracting behaviour in their classes. Their unacceptable behaviour is not because they don't care but rather because they are covering their concerns about being perceived as stupid. They are protecting themselves from the embarrassment of looking dumb in the eyes of their classmates, parents and selves.

The presentation will include the understanding of several types of behaviours shown by the students and the reason behind them. It will also present strategies mainly linked to approaches to teaching and Learning (ATLs) that will make the students develop the necessary skills to gain knowledge and understanding of their subject and become Authentic learners.

The IB believes that how students learn is just as important as what they learn, and ATLs (Approaches to Learning) are closely connected with the IB learner profile attributes to improve student education. The summary of strategies under discussion will be focussed on:

1. Emphasizing efforts
2. Creating hope
3. Respecting power
4. Building relationships
5. Expressing Enthusiasm

All these strategies will be discussed under the umbrella of ATLs and will include tips for explicitly and implicitly teaching them in class across various subject groups.



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