

(Teachers Network) Keeping Students Engaged in Learning with Marker Boards

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Here's a great article full of tips on utilizing dry erase boards in classrooms. It first gives great points and advantages over why one should use whiteboards in a classroom setting, and then it offers great tips 1) for teachers with limited budget, 2) for storing markers and boards, and 3) for finding erasers. It is a must-read for teachers interested in introducing dry erase boards to their classroom.

Keeping Students Engaged in Learning with Marker Boards by Nancy Powell

Time on task is often a problem both for new and veteran teachers. Administrators want to see students engaged in the learning process. Even though your questions are well thought out and your objectives are clear, good lesson plans can sometimes go astray and students can become disengaged.

Let's say you want to check for understanding on last night's homework. You ask students to name the chemical elements that make water, spell words on this week's spelling list, practice math problems, or you want to see if they can draw the graph of $y = 2x - 4$. They all sit there and some people raise their hands while others are off in their own worlds...unconnected to the lesson. You thought they would all be eager to participate and instead they've learned to work the system to generate as little work as possible. How can you keep all of your students actively involved in the lesson as opposed to silently observing or chatting with their friends? Marker boards can help engage them in meaningful learning experiences.

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