

Ten Principles

for the Thinking Classroom

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1 Prioritize a solid foundation of content knowledge.

2 Solidify understanding and comprehension before working on higher levels.

3 Teach students the vocabulary needed to think deeply.

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- 4** Model critical thinking to expose your students to deeper thinking patterns.

- 5** Require students to justify responses.

- 6** Emphasize self-regulation and good character traits.

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7 Become skilled at asking questions on the spot as well as on planned tasks.

8 Utilize discussions and dialog to engage students in cognitive thought.

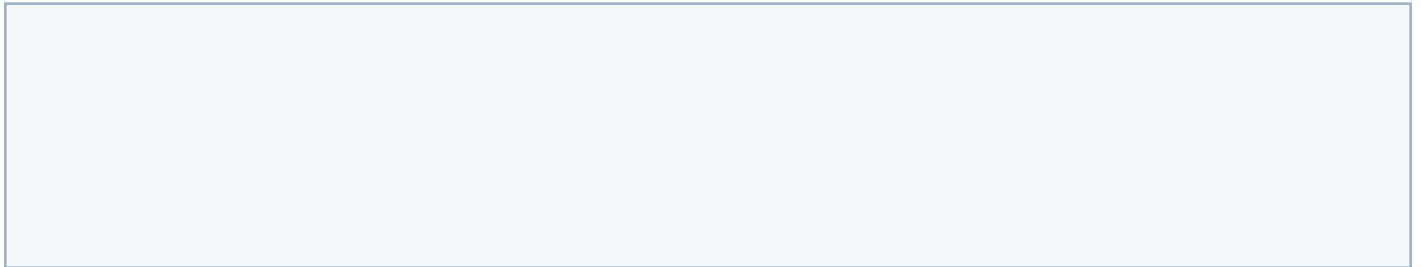
9 Provide plenty of interactions (problems, questions, and tasks) to build their skills.

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- 10** Provide sufficient mentoring and coaching to steer student thinking.



My Key Takeaways & Next Steps

