Avoid Behavior Challenges With Active Learning Games And Activities

Behavior challenges can be a major obstacle to student learning. Students who are disruptive or off-task can make it difficult for other students to learn, and they can also make it difficult for the teacher to manage the classroom.

Active learning games and activities can help to address behavior challenges by providing students with opportunities to move around, interact with each other, and learn in a more engaging way. When students are engaged in active learning, they are more likely to be on-task and less likely to be disruptive.

This article provides a variety of active learning games and activities that can be used to address specific behavior challenges. These games and activities are designed to be fun and engaging, and they can be easily adapted to fit the needs of your students.



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Challenge: Students are off-task and not paying attention.

Game: Musical Squares

 Materials: Cones or other markers to create a square for each student.

• Instructions: Have students stand in a square. Play music and have students walk around the outside of the squares. When the music stops, students must quickly find a square to stand in. The student who does not find a square is out. Continue playing until there is only one student left.

Variation: To make the game more challenging, you can add obstacles to the playing area, such as chairs or cones. You can also have students walk in different ways, such as backwards or sideways.

Challenge: Students are disruptive and talking out of turn.

Game:Simon Says

Materials: None

• Instructions: Give students a series of commands, such as "Simon says touch your toes" or "Simon says jump up and down." Students must only follow the commands that start with the phrase "Simon says." Any student who follows a command that does not start with

"Simon says" is out. Continue playing until there is only one student

left.

Variation: To make the game more challenging, you can give students

more complex commands, such as "Simon says touch your left ear with

your right hand" or "Simon says jump up and down three times." You can

also have students take turns giving the commands.

Challenge: Students are not following directions.

Game: Follow the Leader

Materials: None

Instructions: Choose one student to be the leader. The leader will

lead the other students in a series of movements, such as walking,

jumping, or clapping. The other students must follow the leader's

movements exactly. If a student does not follow the leader's

movements correctly, they are out. Continue playing until there is only

one student left.

Variation: To make the game more challenging, you can have the leader

change the movements frequently. You can also have the leader give more

complex commands, such as "Follow me to the door" or "Follow me under

the table."

Challenge: Students are not working well together.

Game:Cooperative Learning Games

Materials: Varies depending on the game

• Instructions: Cooperative learning games are games where students work together to achieve a common goal. There are many different types of cooperative learning games, such as puzzles, board games, and card games. When students play cooperative learning games, they learn to work together, communicate effectively, and solve problems.

Variation: To make cooperative learning games more challenging, you can have students work in smaller groups or give them more difficult tasks. You can also have students reflect on their experience after playing the game to identify areas where they can improve their teamwork.

Active learning games and activities can be a valuable tool for addressing behavior challenges in the classroom. These games and activities provide students with opportunities to move around, interact with each other, and learn in a more engaging way. When students are engaged in active learning, they are more likely to be on-task and less likely to be disruptive.

The games and activities described in this article are just a few examples of the many different ways that you can use active learning to address behavior challenges in your classroom. By providing students with opportunities to learn in a fun and engaging way, you can help them to overcome behavior challenges and reach their full potential.

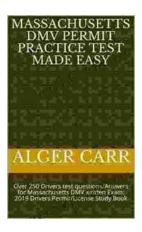


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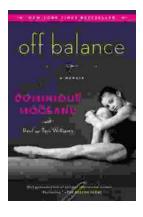
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