



MOTIVATING GROUP WORK

Many times while working on projects where the end is not easily seen, it is very common for the group to get unmotivated. Here are some simple tips to help keep the students motivated and working toward their end goal!

1. Ask open-ended questions.

By doing this you will get the students' brains working and thinking of what to do next on their own.

2. Be a good listener.

By listening carefully to the students ideas, you can find their key points.

3. Clarify what each student is saying.

After listening to the students' ideas, make sure the other students know exactly what was said.

4. Make a visible timeline to record progress.

By recording your progress, the students will be able to see exactly what they have accomplished and what still needs to be done.

5. Make goals with specific time to get them done.

By setting goals within the project student will have daily motivations to accomplish those as well as knowing that those individual goals are working toward the end goal.

6. Reward the students for accomplishing goals.

Give students positive reinforcement when they accomplish goals and do a good job. This can be anything from simple words to some kind of treat.

7. Continuously remind the students of their end goal.

Keep the students thinking about what goal they are trying to accomplish and the benefits that will entail.