Classroom Strategies for Staying Connected

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Breakout Room:

What class/classes are you teaching this semester?

What's something that has brought you joy this semester?

Building Community
Authenticity
Trust

Stress!

My response was to try to control it and make it "perfect"

- Share personal information
- Students sharing about personal information is not a waste of time.
- Presentations/writing assignments in which students share things that are important to them.
- 1-1 meetings at the beginning of the semester.
- Getting to know students takes more time, but it does happen.

How do I create an interactive student-focused classroom?

Benefits of Breakout Rooms

Community
- **Student turn their cameras on.**
- **Students build stronger relationships with each other.**

Content
- **Students contribute more.**
- **Students get more practice using language.**

Activities for Breakout Rooms

- ○ **Reading Fluency Peer Feedback**
- ○ **Writing feedback**
- ○ **Small Group discussion**
- ○ **ICAPs create study guides**
- ○ **ICAPs review course content**
- ○ **ICAPs review processes and procedures**

What activities do your students do in breakout rooms?

How can I recreate opportunities for formative assessment?

Why is formative assessment important to building community?

Peardeck

- **Interactive slides**
- **Students post responses to questions**
- **Instructor can read and highlight some responses to show (paid feature).**
- **Instructor can review responses and share with students (paid feature)**

indicate (in' di kāt)

Metal nibs, or pen tips, have been found that date at least as far back as Roman times. These <u>indicate</u> that manufactured pens were available as well.

Studies <u>indicate</u> that this chemical could cause cancer.

indicate   (**in'** di kāt)

What's your prediction of the meaning of <u>indicate</u>?

indicate   (**in'** di kāt)

part of speech: verb

definition: to show (something)

example sentence: The map <u>indicates</u> where the treasure is buried.

Have you used Peardeck? What kind of questions/activities do you include in your slides?

Wait Time

- I'm nervous and I want my students to have a good online experience, so I jump into to answer questions more quickly than I wold in the classroom.
- Increase wait time.

What is something you can implement to create a greater sense of community in your classroom?