

# Remove threats to engagement

The design of learning can threaten student engagement.

Consider common threats to engagement in your context.

What could you do differently?

| Threats to engagement                          | Increase engagement by offering                                                         |
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| Teacher talks for too long and without visuals | Tight time frames for oral instructions supported by visuals                            |
| Noisy, unstructured environment                | Designated areas for quiet work or collaboration                                        |
| Forgotten instructions                         | Online or printed instructions and exemplars for students to return to as needed        |
| Blank page for writing and can't get started   | Starters and scaffolded supports such as writing or storyboarding templates             |
| Surprised by a transition/change in routine    | Visual timetable. Discuss upcoming changes. Oral prompts, "In 10 minutes we will be..." |

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