

# Foster collaboration and group work

Provide opportunities for ākonga to work with others. Carefully design group or pair activities to maximise productive interactions and learning.

- ✓ Encourage tuakana-teina relationships and create a culture where students provide support for each other.
- ✓ Provide a kete of strategies to help students to listen actively to each other, share ideas, and recognise different points of view.
- ✓ Use a variety of thinking tools, such as [De Bono's thinking hats](#).
- ✓ Assign roles such as speaker, listener, and note-taker to the group members.
- ✓ Develop cross-cultural communication skills, learning how conventions for conversation vary across cultures and contexts.
- ✓ Monitor the discussions to ensure that all students understand the task and have opportunities to participate.

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