

# Characteristics of effective groups

## Successful cooperative learning groups.

- ✓ Can be teacher-selected to ensure balance, inclusion, and productivity.
- ✓ Can be formed around students who need specific support.
- ✓ Are no larger than four students.
- ✓ Give students specific roles, for example, using [cooperative group role cards](#).
- ✓ Can be changed periodically. It can take students some time to build relationships. Think about changing groups to extend the relationships each student is building.

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