

Improve classroom acoustics

Classroom acoustic and noise affects learners ability to hear, to attend, and to listen.

Simple ways to make a classroom quieter include the following:

- place rugs and carpets around the room
- hang curtains or blinds in the windows
- hang soft materials such as felt or cork board on the walls
- place tables at an angle around the room instead of in rows
- turn off noisy equipment when it is not in use
- replace noisy light fixtures
- show students how hard it can be to hear when many children talk at the same time
- place soft tips on the bottom of chairs and tables.

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