

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
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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