

# Understand the identity, culture, and language of each student

A suggestion for implementing the strategy

'Value what each student brings ' from the

Guide: [Inclusive classroom culture](#)

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## Know your learner

Linda Ojala describes how she designs learning that works for all students.



Video hosted on Vimeo <http://vimeo.com/100662380>

Closed Captions

Source:

[Ministry of Education, inclusive education videos \(NZ\)](#)

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## Seek to understand a student's culture

Six rangatahi who identify as Deaf communicate their aspirations.



Video hosted on Youtube [http://youtu.be/\\_4Zk4WDJkhs](http://youtu.be/_4Zk4WDJkhs)

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## Work in partnership with students



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## Take time to build relationships

Liz Crisp of Mangere Bridge School talks about finding connections with students.



Video hosted on Vimeo <http://vimeo.com/111163911>

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Source:

[Pasifika Education Community TKI \(NZ\)](http://pasifika.tki.org.nz)

<http://pasifika.tki.org.nz/Media-gallery/Effective-teaching-for-Pasifika-students/Building-relationships>

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## Find out where students are from

Create intentional and ongoing opportunities for students to share where they are from, what is important to them and why.

Consider a range of activities that give learners the opportunity to share about their origins, iwi, hupu or whānau connection:

- ✓ [Whakapapa interviews](#)
- ✓ [Creating pepeha](#)
- ✓ Creating connections through stories, art, dance, and drama

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## Useful resources



### Knowing all students

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### Pepeha

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