

# Provide support and options for students to create, learn, and collaborate

A suggestion for implementing the strategy 'Helpful classroom strategies years 9-13' from

the Guide: Low vision and learning

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# Increase hands-on learning



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## **Personalise learning**

Provide opportunities for learners to learn in ways that suit their needs and preferences.

- ✓ Set realistic, ambitious, and achievable personal targets.
- Create opportunities where learners can personalise learning tasks and projects to build on their culture, knowledge, experience and strengths.
- ✓ Discuss with learners the different ways they can share their thinking and demonstrate understanding.
- ✓ Develop success criteria with learners and present them with clear visual supports.
- ✔ Provide opportunities for learners to gain confidence using a range of media so they can select the most appropriate way to express their learning.
- ✓ Offer a flexible learning environment with a variety of seating and working spaces.
- ✓ Offer a reader-writer or assistive technologies to support success in assessments.

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# Offer options for sharing learning

Provide a range of ways for students to express what they know. Ask students which approaches they would like as regular options.



Video hosted on Youtube http://youtu.be/CyYFRPnfCuo Closed Captions

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UDL: Introduction to multiple means of action and expression https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CyYFRPnfCuo&t=4s

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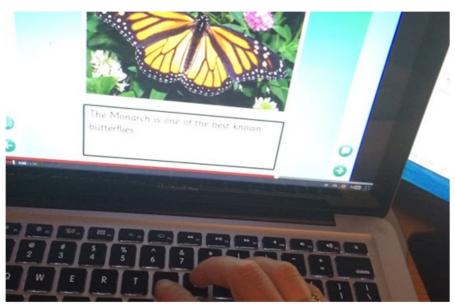
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# Utilise technologies to remove barriers



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## Support success in assessments

Discuss with students what support they need to demonstrate their understanding in assessments.

### Consider the following:

- ✓ Possible barriers hidden in the physical environment, for example: unfamiliar layout of room, lighting, temperature
- ✓ Possible barriers hidden in the resources and materials, for example: cluttered presentation, hard-to-read diagrams, unclear layout, hard-copies only
- ✓ Approaches to managing time allocations such as calendar tools and visual timers
- ✓ Approaches to managing anxiety
- ✓ Approaches to maintaining concentration
- ✓ Negotiating breaks
- ✓ Use of digital technologies such as text-to-speech and predictive text
- ✔ Pre-teaching specific assessment/exam skills, such as how to approach multiple choice questions
- ✓ Identify whether SAC application needs to be made for NCEA.

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