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## Connect culture, learning, and supports

Strategies to support effective classroom practice.

The most effective classroom practice occurs where kaiako:

- ensure that their teaching is responsive to both the socio-cultural, emotional and cognitive dimensions of ākonga Māori
- understand the importance of creating a learning environment where the background and learning needs of ākonga Māori are interdependent
- seek ways to adjust their teaching to take account of the particular social, emotional and academic needs of ākonga Māori.

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