



25+ Ways to Boost Student Engagement

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1. Props (magnifying glass, blender, dollar sign glasses, hats)
2. Minute Madness (How many ____ can you list in 1 minute?)
3. Balloon Man - Like Hangman, for today's objective
4. Draw/Solve/Uh-Oh games
5. Squat/Stand/One Hand - All students must answer the question
6. Vote at your heart
7. Four Corners
8. Turn and Talk w/ accountability
9. Wheel of names . com
10. Wheel of names - math problems
11. Wheel of names - spin to choose which # to do
12. Wheel of names - say the word in German, identify the prefix, etc
13. Sticky notes for lesson intro, each student finds 1 or 2
14. Sticky notes - HotWheels and "drive" to sight words, sums, etc.
15. Exit tickets!
16. Connect 4
17. Worksheet Hack: Paper planes
18. Worksheet Hack: Solve 1, then scoot

Brainstorm: My own ideas of how to add these to my classroom practices:



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19. Worksheet Hack: Solve 1, musical chairs, solve the next
20. Worksheet Hack: $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$
21. Trashketball
22. Ball pit balls: Addition problems
23. Ball pit balls: Fractions to simplify
24. Ball pit balls: Presidents (put in chronological order)
25. Ball pit balls: States and capitals
26. Ball pit balls: Vocabulary words
27. Ball pit balls: Dots (1:1 counting)
28. Ball pit balls: Solve for x
29. Ball pit balls: Long division problem
30. Deck of cards: How many more to make 10?
31. Deck of cards: Flip 2, add together.
32. Deck of cards: Compare the numbers ("War" or "Top It")
33. Deck of cards: Make 2- or 3-digit numbers
34. Deck of cards: Place value
35. Deck of cards: Decimals
36. Deck of cards: Fractions (compare, add, multiply, put in order...)

Two strategies I want to try this week:

1. _____

2. _____