INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES



This Will Be a Success if...

This strategy motivates students to actively look for ways in which a learning experience will benefit them and be a valuable use of their time.

LEARN.**K20**CENTER.OU.EDU/STRATEGIES

THIS WILL BE A SUCCESS IF...

Summary

This Will Be a Success If . . . can be used at the beginning of a lesson or learning experience to help students articulate and share their expectations. It can also serve as a formative assessment because it often reveals students' questions and concerns.

Procedure

1. Students complete the statement “This will be a success if . . ."
2. Students divide into small groups and share their responses.
3. Group members combine their responses into one statement and post them somewhere in the room.
4. At the end of the lesson, students reflect on their experience with their "This will be a success if . . ." statements in mind. Which expectations were met? Which topics or issues should there be more information about?

Zepeda, S. (2008). Professional development: What works. Larchmont, NY: Eye On Education.