5 Key Elements of a Positive Feedback Loop

Feedback in the classroom should be an ongoing conversation between teacher and student—a process of regular check-ins, informal assessment, constructive criticism and thoughtful encouragement to build a trusting and fruitful relationship. Here are five ways to create a positive feedback loop to boost student engagement, encourage participation and increase classroom productivity.

1 Establish clear goals for all participants.
Clarifying expectations at the outset of each lesson gives students a specific target to aim toward, keeping everyone focused on the task at hand and accountable for expected outcomes.

2 Gather data continuously.
Asking questions regularly, and in a variety of formats, keeps students engaged and alert while providing opportunities to gauge their reaction to the material. Teachers can seamlessly integrate Vivi’s Student Feedback Tool into the content of their choice. With quick, informal assessments, it’s easy to collect academic, social and emotional input from students at any point in the lesson.

3 Analyze the data as it’s received.
Student feedback is essential for determining levels of interest, engagement and comprehension. Using the Vivi App provides a safe and discreet channel for students to communicate with educators, encouraging students to provide honest input throughout the lesson.

4 Modify and adjust as necessary.
Data is key to assessing growth, identifying trends in learning and informing teaching. With real-time data collection made possible through Vivi’s software, teachers can adjust lessons on the fly and personalize instruction to meet the needs of all students.

5 Reflect and reassess.
In order to be truly effective, this process must be cyclical and continuous. Revisit goals. Keep asking questions. Respond to new concerns as they arise. Close the feedback loop.

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