

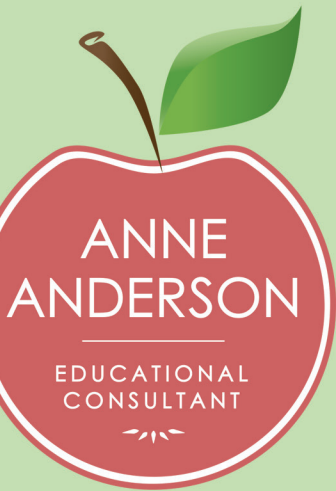
Closure

INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES AND SUGGESTIONS

- Closure is an essential piece of the teaching/learning process. It allows students time to process information and/or demonstrate their learning.
- Include time for closure as part of your instructional planning. However, it does not always have to occur at the end of class.
- Closure may be included at some point within the lesson, especially when introducing new concepts.
- Closure activities serve as formative assessment to guide the teacher in future instructional decisions (e.g., reteaching; providing additional practice, adjusting the next day's lesson, etc.).
- For written closure activities, use index cards or half-sheets of paper. The size of the paper forces students to compose concise, well-written responses.
- Encourage students to write in complete sentences.
- Collect and review students' responses.
- Follow up with any student who is not completing the written closure activities.
- Think-Pair-Share is a suitable activity choice for closure.
- Caution: do not tell students what they learned; have them tell you!

POSSIBLE CLOSURE ACTIVITIES

- An Exit Slip or Ticket Out is a written response/reflection on the day's learning.
- Post 5 – 8 key words from the lesson on the board. Students summarize the day's lesson using those words.
- Play hangman with vocabulary for the day's lesson.
- Create a graphic organizer that reflects the key points of the day's lesson. Allow students to use their notes/textbooks while completing individually.
- Provide students with a sentence starter or sentence frame.
 - *One thing I learned today...*
 - *One question I have is...*
 - *Today in class I was _____. That's because....*
 - *I'd like to learn more about _____ because....*
- Make the question or prompt content-specific.
 - *Explain the process for solving problem number ____.*
 - *Why do you think we are studying ____?*
 - *How does what we did today connect to what we did yesterday?*
- Use individual dry erase boards.
 - *Ask question, students answer, show boards.*
 - *Give answer, students write question, show boards.*



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