

What's the Buzz Infographic

Buzzwords in Education Explained

Dive in! Examine popular teaching approaches. Discover how to apply the strategy and eliminate misconceptions about these trending buzzwords.

Bias

Mental state of favoring one thing, person, item, etc. over another, usually in an unfair or negative way.

When to use it?

Assess for biases on a regular basis in and out of class. Instructors may have an unconscious bias that can hinder the academic performance of a learner or may be able to speak to a student in private about a bias the student is showing.

How do I use this in my classroom?

Be mindful of the effect of bias on learners. Investigate whether your institution offers resources to recognize and dismantle biases. These resources could be aimed at faculty or for use in the classroom among learners.

Why Use it?

Bias can be implicit (unconscious/unintentional) or explicit (conscious/intentional). Either way, learners and instructors suffer when biases dictate how they are expected to act, speak, and interact. Work to dismantle bias to create a safe, neutral space for learners to grow.

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