

I created these pages with the intent to have them lined up in a circle, emphasizing that this process is ongoing. Somehow, I'd like students' names near what stage they are in during Genius Hour days. (I was thinking of their names on small magnets, and the signs - smaller - on the white board.) Many will stay in the "I'm reading" stage for months - and that's totally fine with me. For students who move on, I'd like them to go through the process of brainstorming, asking for feedback, finding mentors, etc. This will help when I'm having 1:1 conferences with them, and I can see who hasn't moved in a while or who is moving full-speed ahead.

I'm reading...

...while taking notes on what I wonder, what
inspires me, and bothers me.

*“Books can be dangerous. The
best ones should be labeled,
‘This could change your life.’”*

~Helen Exley

I may have
an idea...

*“What you do makes a difference, and
you have to decide what kind of
difference you want to make.”*

~Jane Goodall

**I'm
brainstorming
ideas.**

*“Passion is energy. Feel the power that comes
from focusing on what excites you.”*

~Oprah Winfrey

I'm seeking
feedback
from peers.

“One of the most sincere forms of respect is actually listening to what another has to say.” ~Bryant McGill

I'm finding
a mentor to
guide me on this
journey.

"Know who in your life to go to for what." ~Unknown

I'm researching & documenting.

I'm interviewing, reading articles, conducting experiments & surveys, then blogging about my ideas, questions, findings, & results.

"The one lesson I've learned is that there is no substitute for paying attention." ~Diane Sawyer

**I'm putting a
plan together.**

Format Organization

Giving Credit

ACTION

"If you love what you are doing, you will be successful." ~A. Schweitzer

**I'm ready to
share with the
class...**

...and receive valuable feedback...

*“Change is the end result of all true
learning.” ~Leo Buscaglia*

I'm ready to
share with
the world.

*“A life is not important except in the impact it
has on other lives.” ~Jackie Robinson*

Genius – it's a process.

What habits are you exhibiting?

Imagination Curiosity

Self-Awareness Passion Perseverance

Courage Adaptability