

Blended Learning Lesson Design Principles, Sample Lesson Flows, & Student Engagement

Blended Learning Lesson Design Principles

Prioritize the following principles in your lesson/unit design:

- Working with small groups of students
- Offering students choice
- Shifting the focus from the teacher to the learners
- Providing opportunities for collaboration
- Giving students control of their pace
- Incorporating offline learning activities throughout the school day



Sample Lesson Flows:

See **sample lesson flows** that incorporate the above principles:

- [Station Rotations \(1\)](#)
- [Station Rotations \(2\)](#)
- [Playlists](#)
- [Choice Boards](#)
- [Synchronous Lesson Agenda](#)
- [Flipped Learning Flow](#)
- [Literacy Block](#)

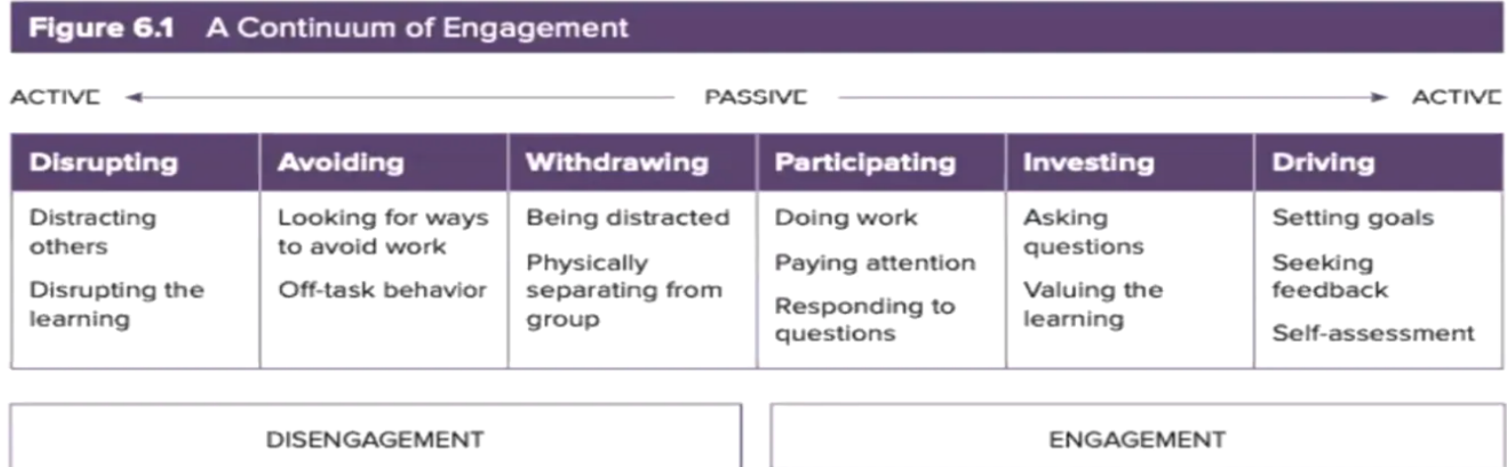
Sample Unit/Lesson Templates

- [Unit template](#) (mirrors information in Atlas)
- [SD Catholic lesson plan template](#)
- [Student daily/weekly plan](#) (make a copy)
- [Station Rotation lesson template](#) (make a copy)
- [Station Rotation lesson template #2](#) (make a copy)
- [Playlist template](#) (make a copy)
- [Flipped lesson template](#) (make a copy)

Engagement and Collaboration Ideas:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Engagement Strategies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ UDL and Blended Learning ○ Strategies Playlist ○ 10 Strategies Designed to Engage Elementary Students | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Class Discussion & Collaboration Strategies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Big List of Class Discussion Strategies ○ Discussion Roundtable ○ The Spider Web Approach to Class Discussions |
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- [Boosting Student Engagement and Interaction in Virtual Meetings](#)
- [Strategies for Engaging Students in Meaningful Online Learning Experiences](#)
- Visible Thinking Routines:
 - [Visible Thinking Routines with Thinking Amplifier Apps](#)
 - [Project Zero Ideas and Distance Learning](#)
 - [Photo of the Day](#) (use as a discussion starter)
- [Edu Protocols Smart Start](#)
- [8 Strategies to Improve Participation in Your Classroom](#)
- [Hexagonal Thinking: A Colorful Tool for Discussion](#)
- [Enhance Student Engagement with Virtual Social Learning Spaces](#)



Amy Berry, 2020 (In the Distance Learning Playbook)

Additional Resources:

[Balance with Blended Learning](#), by Catlin Tucker

[UDL and Blended Learning](#), by Katie Novak and Catlin Tucker