

Ten Suggested Approaches to Teaching Indigenous Students

The 10 Approaches suggested here are selected from 15 'research-based exemplars for Indigenous teaching' (available at www.indigenousteaching.com)

On the website, each approach is illustrated with practical exemplars described in teachers' own words.

1. Make the classroom a safe environment for learning
2. Show confidence in your own expertise, credibility and authority
3. Set high academic and personal standards (and model them yourself)
4. Provide scaffolding and support when needed
5. Negotiate emotions in the classroom
6. Link your own personal experiences to the topic
7. Ask students to relate their personal background to their current learning
8. Show students the relevance of learning for future jobs/career
9. Be open to reflecting, learning and changing as a teacher
10. Be enthusiastic, enjoy your teaching, and have fun!

