Get curious about your pupils as learners



How well do you know your students' current strengths and weaknesses as learners?

Try to fill the name of a pupil into each descriptor, and think what evidence you might have that supports this judgement.

Emotionally engaged

- likes a challenge
- _____ is not afraid of finding things hard
- gets 'lost' in learning
- makes accurate descriptions and observations
- _____ minimises negative distractions
- ______ sticks at things despite difficulties

Managing learning

- _____sorts out what needs to be done
- likes to organise their work
- takes stock to make sure things are on track
- _____ anticipates blocks & obstacles
- pulls out key points from experience
- _____ can talk about their learning process

Thinking widely

- _____ is curious about possibilities
- _____ likes to get to the bottom of things
- likes to see how things fit together
- _____ is logical and systematic when necessary
- makes the most of a range of learning resources
- _____ enjoys using imagination

Working together

- works well with others
- _____ maintains own ideas in a group
- _____ knows when to learn alone and when with others
- shares ideas and information
- puts themselves in other people's shoes
- learns from the way other people do things

Which pupils have you missed? Have you named more girls than boys? Are the named pupils mostly high or low attainers?