

Peer Tutoring: Taking a Classwide Approach Checklist

Adherence

Getting Started

- Identify specific subject areas or skills for partner work, like reading comprehension, math facts, or vocabulary practice.
- Group students in pairs or small groups by considering complementary strengths and areas for growth.
- Develop clear guidelines with visual and verbal instructions.

Implementation

- Conduct a brief training on how partners should work together, including examples and tips on how peers can give and receive feedback.
- Allow students to role-play partner work and receive teacher feedback.
- Set a clear time limit for partner work to promote time management; specify what the dyad should complete during each segment (e.g., when partner A leads and when partner B leads).
- Actively supervise partner work sessions, providing frequent praise and corrective feedback as needed. . If pairings are not productive, regroup these students during the next session.

Quality

- Provide supportive feedback and encouragement to students.
- Rotate partner roles often. This allows both students to practice leadership and helps to build confidence.

Tips for Success

- Keep it fun! Consider incentives like teamwork challenges or point systems.
- Provide the opportunity for reflections and partner feedback.