

TEACHING & LEARNING

QUICK TIPS

Class Survey

This exercise is a quick way to learn about your students and to encourage them to think quantitatively while enhancing a sense of belonging as a member of the class.

Planning:

1. Brainstorm what you want to know about your class or what students know about the subject matter. Also consider what students will be comfortable sharing early in the semester. Decide upon one question for a First Day activity.
2. Select one of the following options: paper (Post-Its work well), Google Forms, Kahoot, Nearpod, or other survey apps. Prepare the question and test it a few times.

Implementation:

1. Ask students download the app (Nearpod or Kahoot), go to the link (Google Forms), or hand out the Post-Its. Give students 2-3 minutes to submit their answer.
2. Look at the data and report back to students how the class responded. Use the SMART board or write the raw numbers and percentages on the board.
3. Ask students to reflect on the responses. What does the data tell us? What else do we want to know? How does this inform our approach moving forward?

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