

Adapting Your Teaching for High-End Learners

1. Acceleration

Teach concepts, techniques, etc., at a younger than usual age based on your assessed readiness of the students.

Move more quickly through your lessons rather than requiring extended drill and practice when it is obvious it is unneeded.

2. Complexity

Emphasize higher level skills by asking students to analyze, synthesize and evaluate on a regular basis in your class discussions and assignments.

Add more variables to what students are studying.

Help students use a wide variety of resources.

3. Depth

Help students study particular concepts in your class through a variety of applications.

Provide the opportunity for students to conduct original research.

Guide students toward successful product development

4. Challenge

Help students use advanced resources as soon as they are ready.

Employ sophisticated teaching materials to stimulate students.

Approach your topic using a cross-disciplinary approach.

Ask students to make their reasoning explicit.

5. Creativity

Ask students to design or construct a model based on principles learned or criteria you provide.

Provide alternatives for tasks and products. Help students create their own alternatives.

Help students share their work with a real world audience.