



## 12 Tips and Ideas for Great Remote Learning

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### **A little bit about**

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*"Quote."*

*No one EVER plans for a pandemic. -Knikole Taylor*

**Fact or Fiction?** Whenever we have a lesson that seems to work in person we can just port it right into a digital without making any adjustments?

- **FICTION-** People tried to pivot too fast to work in a remote setting.
- When we go online there is a lot to consider.
  - How do I give timely feedback?
  - How many clicks does it take to get the students where they need to go?
  - How will I, as the teacher, grade and access this work?

### **Positives from the Pandemic**

- Planning forward

- Reinforce and support “Best Practices” for teachers
- Innovative Professional Development
- Open Minded Educators, Admin, and Families

### **Lesson Design**

- What do kids need to know and be able to do? (Standards)
  - Essential Questions
  - Access your student’s prior knowledge
  - Vocabulary Development
  - What will kids be able to create not regurgitate?
- Good Teaching is still good teaching. Teaching doesn’t become good because you put tech in.

### **What are good practices for remote learning?**

- What kind of learning experience do we want students to have?
  - Allow for autonomy over student learning
  - Make it visual: Draw, video, etc.
  - Switch it up: Offer controlled choices for students
  - Bring the Joy
  - Ask the kids: What are you into?
  - Be creative in your synchronous (live) spaces
  - Don’t force control over the mute button
  - Let kids share their screen
  - Build relationships
  - Be aware of wellness and self-care
    - Everyone needs time to move away from their computer or device
    - Self care: Journal
    - Talk with another person
    - Daily check in form with your students
  - Build Community and Connect
    - [Jamboard](#)
    - [Google Quick Draw](#)
    - [Nearpod](#)
  - Create spaces for students to share their voices
    - Red- Attention on me
    - Yellow- Talk in the chat
    - Green- Unmute and talk freely
- NOTE: Teachers also need autonomy in their professional practices.

### **Lesson Plan Template from Knikole**

- Template is for you to design *before* the tech is introduced.
- What do kids need to know? How deep do we need to go? What tech can I use to engage and help them to apply their learning?
  - [#FlipgridForAll](#)
  - You can do a LOT with a couple of tools.

### **Related posts on the Ditch That Textbook blog:**

- [An Educator's Guide to Remote Learning](#)
- [Tools for Remote Learning](#)
- [FREE Remote Learning eBooks](#)

### **Resources:**

- [Lesson Plan Template](#)