Topic: Reflection on Teaching boys

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The purpose of the session was to a develop understanding about how to teach boys. The activities included reflecting on readings, researching about activities that work better with students and preparing a presentation to share with other teachers.

There are many ways we can alter our strategies to teach boys. As a teacher, I need to be organised and make sure that my class is interactive.

How to engage boys:

- talk to them
- show respect by giving them attention
- keep them moving around in the classroom
- give simple instructions
- write instructions on the board
- giving boys choice so that do what they are comfortable with
- group work could be a way of engaging students

I changed my strategies after doing the readings by making my class more interactive. For my Year 9 class, I am doing more group work which is aimed at engaging students. In my reading classes, I am getting students to use highlighters as the are able to express their creativity.

The use of material and other teaching aids could be helpful in teaching students. It provided a better understanding of how boys can be taught using different pedagogical strategies and with differenciated learning.

I will surely use some of the strategies highlighted by the teachers and reflect on the outcome.