

Ace the Teacher Demo Lesson [Workshop]

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Objective: Teachers will identify the inherent challenges of a demo lesson and plan to avoid these pitfalls.

Agenda:

- (Opening) Brainstorming Challenges of a Demo Lesson (5 mins.)
- (Lesson) Components of a Successful Demo Lesson (25 mins.)
- (Group Share) Strategies to Tackle Challenges (10 mins.)
- (Individual Reflection) Planning for Your Demo Lesson (5 mins.)
- (Closing) Share Out + Questions (10 mins.)

BRAINSTORM CHALLENGES

(5 mins)



Components of a Successful Demo Lesson

Structuring Your Lesson

- Teach to Your Strengths
- Ground Your Lesson in 1 - 2 Standards
- Plan for a Stand Alone Lesson
- Teach Something New! + Assess Mastery
- Identify a Clear, Measurable Objective
- Avoid Fluff!

Components of a Successful Demo Lesson



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Positive Classroom Community

- Establish Your Classroom Norms
- Consider Ways to Develop a Positive, Joyful Rapport
- Include a “Getting to Know You”/ Intro Activity

Components of a Successful Demo Lesson

Differentiation

- How will you support...
 - IEP Students
 - ELL/ENL Students
 - Visual, Kinesthetic, Auditory Learners
 - Fast Finishers



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Take Your Lesson Off the Page

- Bring Pre-Made Visuals
 - Objective, Vocabulary Words, Chart...what else?
- Avoid A Standard Worksheet
 - Create Your Own and Collect Them!
- Keep Time
 - Switch to Airplane Mode if you use your phone!

Components of a Successful Demo Lesson

Avoiding Stress



- Assume That You Will Walk Into a Classroom and Immediately Begin Teaching
- Bring What You Need
- Plan for a Technology Fail

A wide-angle landscape photograph. In the foreground, a dry, brownish-yellow field stretches across the frame. A paved road enters from the left, curves slightly, and then splits into two paths that lead towards the background. To the right of the road, a dense line of dark evergreen trees stands against the sky. In the far background, a range of rugged mountains is visible, with significant portions of their peaks and slopes covered in snow. The sky is filled with heavy, grey, and white clouds, creating a dramatic and somewhat somber atmosphere.

What's Next?

Strategies to Tackle the Challenges



Planning for Your Demo Lesson (5 mins.)

What two things will you add to your demo lesson plan?

Share Out and Questions
