

Getting Them to Talk

Three Simple Strategies for Starting Discussion



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Anyone?
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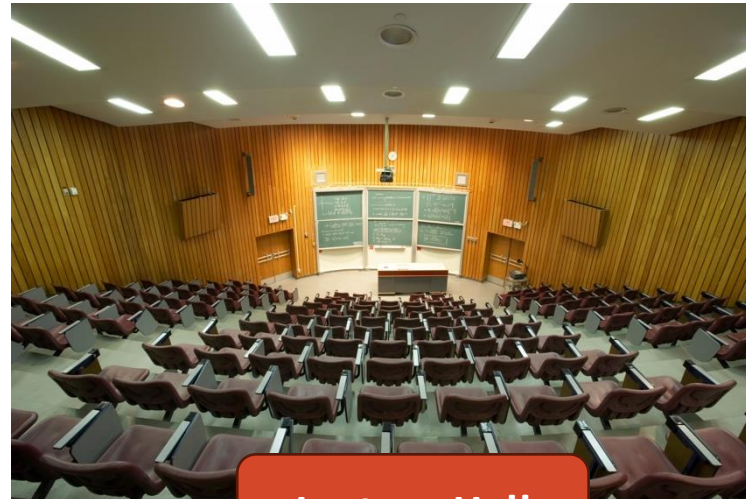


Start Discussion in Five Minutes or Less

1. Think/Pair/Share | 2. Think, Write, & Warm-call | 3. Just Wait (for 10 Seconds)



Seminar Room



Lecture Hall



Clinical Setting

All Three Tactics

1

Require no planning

2

Can be applied immediately

3

Activate the vocal chords



**LET STUDENTS TO GET THEIR THOUGHTS
TOGETHER (BRIEFLY)**

Think/Pair/Share: How It Works in Practice

You ask a question...and can hear the crickets.

1. Have learners write down thoughts about the question (1 minute)
2. Pair up with nearby learners (20 seconds)
3. Share answers to the question with each other (2 minutes)
4. Debrief the question together (2 – 3 minutes).



Think, Write, and Warm-Call: How It Works in Practice

You ask another question...and can hear *more* crickets.

1. Instruct learners to write down their thoughts about the question.
2. Let them know in advance you will call on them after they've written down their thoughts. (You can name particular people, too.)
3. Give them 2 minutes to write their answers.
4. Call on someone to share their answer.



Just Wait (for 10 Seconds): How it Works in Practice

EMBRACE THE CRICKETS.

1. Ask question.
2. Wait a **full 10** seconds for a response; you can count down on your fingers.
3. The majority of time: someone will answer.*

**If they don't, try a think/pair/share or think/write/warm-call*



Wrap-up—Three Things You Can Do!

1. Think/Pair/Share
2. Think, Write, and Warm-Call
3. Wait 10 Seconds

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Wrap-up—Next Steps

- *All* can be tried immediately, in any instructional environment
- Select **one** to try this week
- Resources and follow-up communications

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