

A True Learning Journey

Motivating Zero-attempt Students to Complete their Assignments

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"We help our students to nurture their habit of finishing online assignments at home and encourage them to do it regularly by giving them prizes. Teachers would make use of the online materials in lessons from time to time..... Students will understand they have the responsibility to finish their online assignments."

- Miss Poon

CCC Kei Heep Secondary School has established a very effective monitoring and implementation system. The number of "zero-attempt" students of English Builder dropped drastically to less than 10% on a whole-school basis in the third month. On average, each student completes 72% of lessons in 07/08.

Encouraging Awards

After giving clear instructions to students at the beginning of the school year, teachers would **follow up** on the progress of students. Teachers would **encourage students** of each class by **awarding the top achiever** monthly prizes like bookmarks in front of the whole class. Meanwhile, those who are the top 50 achievers of the whole school will be awarded a school certificate in monthly school ceremonies.

In addition, teachers would use English Builder materials that are **relevant to students' daily lives** in **classroom teaching** to arouse students' interest, such as, using lessons on the recent earthquake in China & the cyclone in Myanmar to bring out the nature and implications of natural disasters. This further boosts students' motivation to complete lessons at home.

Disciplinary Measures

Teaching assistants would help those who do not finish their work on time. **After-class catch-up sessions** and issuing demerits are ways to reduce the number of zero-attempt students.

With merit and demerit systems like the above, students come to realize the importance of taking their learning progress seriously.

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