

# Cultivate Student Agency: A Teacher's Quick Guide

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## 1. Normalise Independent Homework Effort

Objective: Instil a high-expectation culture around homework.

Strategy: Define clear homework goals, success criteria, and deadlines. Recognise and showcase standout work to set a classroom standard.

## 2. Illuminate the Curriculum Roadmap

Objective: Keep students informed about their learning journey.

Strategy: At the start of each unit, present an overview using a textbook's content page, a knowledge organiser, or a curriculum outline.

## 3. Embed Reading as a Study Habit

Objective: Empower students to self-learn through reading.

Strategy: Incorporate reading into daily classroom activities and homework assignments. Teach essential note-taking skills.

## 4. Implement Self-Study & Testing Loops

Objective: Enable students to be self-aware of their learning gaps.

Strategy: Demonstrate the process of self-study and self-testing through practical examples. Encourage retrieval practice for self-assessment.

## 5. Facilitate Open-Ended Research Tasks

Objective: Provide students autonomy within the curriculum.

Strategy: Identify curriculum sections where students can choose their focus.

Encourage them to present findings through diverse mediums like reports, slides, or videos.