



- Place the teacher's desk in some out of the way nook where teachers and students can confer privately.
- Allow access to the classroom before the bell rings especially in inclement weather.
- Encourage students to describe their experiences and interests in the company of their peers.
- Encourage students to discuss their opinions.
- Encourage students to question and challenge each other in respectful and non-threatening ways.
- Provide opportunities for students to learn how to handle unfamiliar situations.
- Enable students to teach each other and to make group presentations before the class.
- Invite guests and resource people into the class to be interviewed by students.
- Set aside conference time in which students can discuss topics of their choice with the teacher.
- Arrange for debates and panel discussions.
- Have students from one class visit other classes.
- Use a suggestion box in the classroom for ideas for classroom improvements, discussion topics etc.
- Spend time after school with students who want to stay.
- Develop routines to welcome new students to the class.
- Occasionally interact with students in the schoolyard.
- Share family and/or baby photographs of students and teachers.
- Have teacher and class write notes to ill or hospitalised students.

