

# Strategies for Effective Teaching and Learning

## Strategies That May Be Used for Students With Traumatic Brain Injury

Impairments	Strategies	Examples
Poor attention	Decrease distractions.	Move away extra pencils.
	Provide cues to attend.	Touch card that says "Listen."
	Limit amount of information.	Divide up information.
	Provide advance organizers.	Give list of important events.
Memory problems	Teach verbal rehearsal strategies.	Student repeats list of people.
	Teach use of visual imagery.	Student visualizes battle for history.
	Provide information in writing.	Give teacher's notes.
	Give a school schedule.	Put pictures by each subject.
	Repeat directions.	Repeat one direction at a time.
Decreased writing speed and accuracy	Give more time on tests.	Student takes test over two periods.
	Decrease assignment load.	Student writes two fewer papers.
	Have student type instead of writing by hand.	Student writes faster using keyboard.
Decreased stamina and endurance	Allow rest breaks.	Student rests for five minutes.
	Adjust school day.	Student comes for half day.
	Have peer carry books.	Friend helps with books.
Impulsive behavior	Encourage "thinking time."	Have student wait, then answer.
	Discuss rules each day.	Review rules.
	Redirect inappropriate behavior.	Tell student to sit, open book.
	Remove unnecessary material.	Book bags are placed at side of room.
	Role-play.	Practice different scenarios.