

# Ten Tips for Co-Teaching Success

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## Ten Tips for Co-Teaching Success

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# Ten Tips for Co-Teaching Success!

## Three Categories:



- Structures
- Strategies
- Mindset

# Structures



## **#10 Classroom Management**

Share beliefs—philosophies—routines—delineate roles.

## **#9 Co-Create a Shared Vision**

Set goals—individually create and share—co-create  
co-teaching mission statement—embed shared vision  
to set strong foundation for all experiences  
throughout the year.

# Structures



## #8 Ongoing Communication

In the moments—nonverbal—check-ins—post-its—  
asynchronous—focus on what ways you CAN share  
ideas (even if you do not have official co-planning  
time).

## #7 Embrace Individual Expertise

Distinguishable roles—advocate for specific roles—rotate  
responsibilities—content and strategy expertise.

# Strategies



## **#6 Go Beyond Differentiating Instruction**

Differentiate through a Universal Design for Learning (UDL) lens—“fix” curriculum—not the students—embrace learner variability.

## **#5 Teach with Intention—Times 2!**

Vary co-teaching models—be co-active and purposeful—meet needs of individuals and groups.



# Mindset



## **#4 Know your students! Know your co-teacher!**

Surveys—interviews—conversations—interests—emotions.

## **#3 Remember—we are ALL learners!**

It's all about the process:

- In class: formative assessment—check for understanding--embrace a growth mindset—power of yet. (See Carol Dweck in [this TedTalk](#))
- Outside of class: ongoing professional development.

## **#2 Be Resilient! Be Persistent! Be Accepting!**



# #1



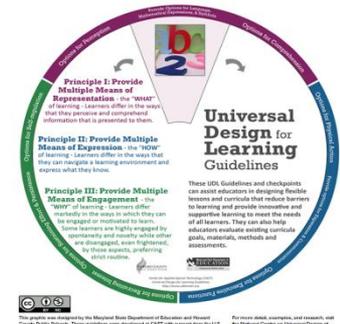
## #1 Cultivate Relationships

Between co-teachers, students, and with the process of learning itself.

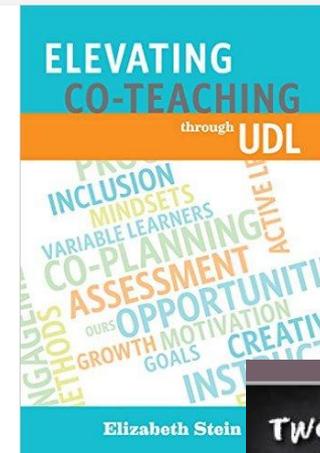


# Additional Co-Teaching/UDL Resources

1. [Interactive UDL Guidelines](#)
2. CAST: [www.cast.org](http://www.cast.org)
3. [UDL Guidelines](#) (Center for Applied Specialized Technology CAST)

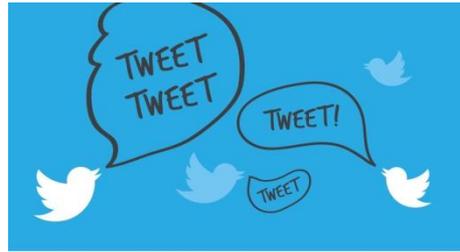


1. [Elevating Co-Teaching through UDL](#)
2. [How to Chisel a Teaching Masterpiece](#)
3. [Naturally Embed UDL in no time!](#)
4. [6 Steps to Successful Co-Teaching:](#)  
National Education Association (NEA)
7. [A Deeper Look into Co-Teaching Success:](#)  
(Brookes Publishing)
8. [53 Ways to Check for Understanding:](#) (Edutopia)



# Let's continue the conversations

Join ongoing collaborations on Twitter chats on co-teaching and universal design for learning.



#CoTeachat every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday each month at 8:00-8:45 (EST)

#UDLchat every every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday each month at 9:00-9:30 (EST)

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Thank you!

Q & A

## More Resources

[Co-Teaching for Rookies: Building Trust and Looking at the Big Picture](#)

[Co-Teaching for Rookies: Classroom Organization and Managing Details](#)

[Hurdles in Pairing General, Special Education Teachers](#)

[10 Ways to Optimize Classroom Co-Teaching](#)

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### Required Reading from *Education Week*:

#### [Improving Instruction with Co-Teaching](#)

Examining benefits from both the teacher and student viewpoints, this report highlights the critical components of an effectively co-taught classroom and the barriers that must be overcome in order to ensure student achievement.

#### [Spotlight on Differentiated Instruction](#)

In this Spotlight, learn about the challenges of differentiation, how educators are personalizing instruction in literacy and math, and identifying students' academic strengths.