



5 CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES

Silent Countdown

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Similar to the counting backwards technique this one involves holding a hand up and counting silently, using your fingers to keep track. This will have to be pre-taught but once it has the students will realise it's silent countdown and they must be quiet and look at you.

Thanking the quiet students

This works well for the younger students during circle time. Start thanking the students who are being quiet and attentive, very quickly the others will notice and start quieting down. Before you begin make sure to thank the whole class for being quiet.

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Exercise Break

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This works well for restless students and incorporates some mindfulness into the day. Simply get the class to stand up and do a few **exercises** it's as simple as that.

Water and Ice

When the teacher says "Make a wave" the students wave their hands in the air. Teacher says "turn to ice" and the students must sit as still as an ice cube. This is a really fun and easy one to get students to sit quietly at their desks and ready to learn.

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May I have your attention, please

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With all the games and different techniques to manage a classroom or to ensure your students are quiet, it can be very easy to forget that simply asking can be just as effective as anything else.