

"Read The Room" Strategy

Stop at the Door



Before the student even enters the classroom, have them pause at the door.

Cue the student to "Read the Room." Is the class noisy? Is everyone reading silently? What is the room doing?



Read the Room

Ask the student



When you first start having the student read the room, ask the student, "What is the room doing?" Cue them to the important details of the class (i.e. quiet, reading, transitioning, etc)

When the student starts to become successful in "Reading the Room" with your help, start to fade the cues out. Instead when they enter the room you would just say, "Read the room." This teaches the student to scan the room independently.



Fade the Cue

Teach the Class



Don't just teach 1-2 students to do this. Instead, teach the entire class how to scan and observe what is happening in the room.