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Monthly News

FOCUSED NOTE TAKING / 2-3 Column Notes: Note-taking skills are the foundation for student success in academic classes and small group. Taking notes demands that the students manipulate the paper they are using in a way to keep them organized! Two-Column notes provide a format for introducing students to note-taking (K-2 and sometimes 3), while three column notes are a variation to be used as the number of relevant categories increases (3-5).

EXAMPLES:

Kinder: Letters (Two column notes: one side letter, other side the sound it makes by a picture or the sound itself)

1st: punctuation (Two Column notes: One side the punctuation, other side the explanation how it is used)
2nd: Vocabulary (Two Column notes: word on one side, definition on other)

3rd-5th: Geometry (Three columns left to right: word, definition, example)

Successful Classroom Interactions <u>S</u>it with proper posture Feet on floor, sit up straight <u>L</u>ean forward and listen No Slouching <u>A</u>sk questions <u>N</u>od your head "yes" or "no" <u>T</u>alk with your teachers Stay engaged during a lesson AVID CLAP OF THE MONTH

WHOOSH:

- 1. Students can stand or sit
- 2. This clap is done as an entire group
- 3. Students use both hands to tap desk <u>TWO TIMES</u>
- 4. They then use their hands to make a wave while saying <u>whoosh</u>

