

Cultivating *Growth-Mindset* Skills

The following growth-mindset skills reflect learning process goals that educators can set as intended outcomes in their courses. How might you coach learners to grow in these skills and thus cultivate a growth mindset in their learning?

| Skill | Emerging | Developing | Proficient | Exemplary |
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| Setting Goals | Learner does not participate in goal setting. | Learner participates minimally in goal setting | Learner is capable of setting goals with guidance | Learner sets goals independently |
| Planning | Learner shows no evidence of planning strategies | Learner displays minimal evidence of planning | Learner engages in planning with occasional guidance | Learner adopts planning strategy independently |
| Confidence | Learner evidences belief that s/he is not capable of learning | Learner requires significant support & encouragement | Learner believes s/he is able to complete learning | Learner seeks challenging learning tasks |
| Motivation | Learner is not motivated to complete task | Learner is motivated to complete task only with guidance | Learner is motivated to complete tasks | Learner directs and/or extends learning task independently |
| Engagement | Learner does not engage in learning | Learner listens to instruction / expresses interest | Learner engages the learning with guidance | Learner fully engages learning independently |
| Problem-Solving | Learner must rely fully on outside intervention to solve problem | Learner relies significantly on others to solve problem | Learner is able to solve basic problems with occasional guidance | Learner is able to adapt problem-solving strategies in novel situations |
| Seeking Help | Learner does not seek help but rather abandons the task | Learner seeks some help, often from unsuitable resources | Learner seeks out help, usually from suitable resources | Learner habitually embodies the learning strategy of seeking help |
| Self-Reflection | Learner does not engage in self-reflection | Learner engages in self-reflection when required | Learner often engages in self-reflective learning | Learner habitually engages in self-reflective learning |
| Integrity of self-image | Learner lacks healthy understanding of their identity | Learner can articulate behaviors that reflect healthy identity | Learner displays behaviors that reflect healthy identity | Learner's integrity evident in both failure and success |
| Learning from mistakes | Learner unable to learn from her/his mistakes | Learner able to identify mistakes with guidance | Learner generally able to identify mistakes & correct them in future | Learner uses mistakes to construct new learning strategies |