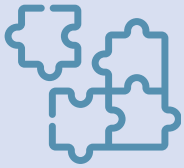


How to Teach Intentionally in Early Childhood Education



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Intentional teaching means planning and acting with specific learning goals in mind. It shapes every interaction, environment, and activity.



Shared Aspirations

Partner with families to set learning priorities. Blend Te Whāriki with community values and the local environment.



Intentional Assessment

Observe carefully to identify teaching and learning opportunities. Enter and deepen play scenarios and track changes to plan ongoing learning pathways.



Intentional Pedagogies

Actively participate in play; introduce complex ideas and co-construct knowledge through open-ended questions.



Intentional Curriculum Design

Plan ahead: decide exactly *when* to step in, *what* to say, and *how* to set up the room.



Intentional Interactions

Know your concepts to scaffold effectively, time your interventions to join play without disturbing it and minimise time spent managing turn-taking to maximise active problem-solving.



Intentional Evaluation

Look and listen. Your intentions may not have been met. Reflect to build a customised, individual response.