

How to Learn When You Are at Home

Right now you have the perfect opportunity to learn how to take ownership of your own learning. When you own your learning, it's yours. It belongs to you. No one else can ever take it away.

For you to be successful and take ownership of your learning at home, you need to think about and reflect on how you learn best. It's different for everyone—find out what works for you.

For each assignment, you will need to clarify:

- What am I learning and how will I know I have learned it?
- What strategy could I use to learn it?
- Who can I talk with when I need to clarify my thinking?
- How will I know if the strategy is working for me?

So, copy or cut out this "Own It!" list and use it with each assignment you do at home.

Own It! True learning happens when you own your learning. As you work on each assignment, remind yourself of these things.

Before working:

- ▶ I am learning... (content and skill)
- ▶ I will know I have learned it when...
- ▶ The strategy I am going to use to learn it is...

While working:

- ▶ Talking with someone will help me clarify my thinking because...
- ▶ The strategy is working because...
- ▶ I don't think this strategy is working because...

If you struggle, try these things...

- Look back at the directions. Read, and reread, them for clues.
- Remind yourself of all of the different strategies you used in class. Which ones worked best for you?
- Call a classmate and ask them about their plan for learning.
- Ask your parent or caregiver what strategies worked for them when they were in school.
- Call, text, or email your teacher for ideas.