

5 Ideas for Making Homework More Meaningful

1

Make It Voluntary.

Not every student needs to complete HW to improve their learning. Give students the option to complete it. They may choose to work on other activities that will help them learn instead of HW they don't need.

2

Differentiate HW for Each Student.

Base HW on each student's individual needs, not the needs of groups of students or 3 specific levels, like Advanced, On-Level, and Below-Level.

3

Give Students Options to Document Reading.

Not all students benefit from a reading log. Some students will read regardless. Let them pick how to document, whether log, blog or shelfies.

4

Let Students Create.

Let students practice or document their learning through creation. Blogs, projects, videos, and other creative endeavors provide an outlet for students to demonstrate learning.

5

Extend 20% Time or Genius Hour.

Give students the opportunity to pursue their passions. Students will engage in ventures that are meaningful and relevant to their own learning.