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### Ready to Learn: Preparing Your Students for Back to School

As an educator, you've laid out your plans for the start of school. But as you know, your students may or may not be prepared to return after a long summer away from the classroom! Here are some simple ideas to help your students get back in the game and ready for success. (Of course, these can be adapted depending on students' developmental levels.)

- **Review.** Of course, revisiting lessons from the end of the previous school year is often a necessary part of beginning the new. To supplement classroom review, you might consider helping students highlight key concepts via in-class study guides or note sheets, which can be turned in for extra credit and returned for use in later home study.
- **Predict.** Not all teachers provide a syllabus, but those who do can turn it into a useful tool to focus students' learning expectations. At the least, preview relevant concepts and terms that will be introduced later in the semester so students know what to expect.
- **Encourage goal-setting.** Outline expectations, and brainstorm desired classroom outcomes for the coming year. Then, ask students to write down personal goals for the class.
- **Emphasize good habits.** Remind students about the importance of the basics--e.g., eating a good breakfast, getting enough sleep, and setting aside a regular time and place for study. If feasible, consider in-class snack breaks or movement breaks to quiet growling stomachs and help students concentrate better between meals.
- **Offer rewards.** Some form of an incentive system can be an effective motivational tool--for instance, you might consider allowing students to earn classroom privileges or rewards if they demonstrate meeting goals or exercising good learning habits.

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