

## Effective Feedback Strategies

1. **Comment-only marking**, not linked to a grade, provides learners with a focus for progression.
2. **Wait time** allows students time to think, process and then to give answers. Give students two minutes thinking time before taking responses.
3. **Exemplar work**; When setting students' work, show them examples that make it clear what it is they are being asked to do.
4. When making comments on students' work, treat them like **guidance** showing how the student can improve.
5. Give students **opportunities to discuss comments** you have written in their work.
6. **Feedback Sandwich**
  - i) Positive comment  
*Constructive criticism with explanation of how to improve*  
Positive comment
  - ii) Contextual statement – I liked.... because....  
*Now/Next time...*  
Interactive statement e.g. a question based on the work
7. **Set achievable small goals** to encourage students' consistent, incremental progress and experience success more often.
8. **Use tangible praise** linked to the efforts and strategies that students have put into their work.