

CRACKING THE CODE: WHAT DOES CLASS[®] REALLY MEASURE?



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What does CLASS measure? CLASS measures interactions across three key categories:

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Connect:

This category, captured under the Emotional Support domain, focuses on interactions that foster a warm, inclusive environment. Behaviors such as showing care, respect, and providing autonomy to children contribute to building positive connections.

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Engage:

Classroom Organization, the domain capturing engagement interactions, emphasizes the role of consistent routines, clear learning goals, and proactive support for regulating children's behavior to ensure their active participation in learning experiences.

3

Inspire Learning:

The Instructional Support domain highlights interactions that stimulate cognitive development. This includes fostering critical thinking, linking concepts to real-life scenarios, and providing scaffolded support to facilitate learning.

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