

10 Tips for Effective Lesson Planning:

HOW TO REACH THOSE YOU TEACH



Let's pray! 😊

Father in heaven, you've called us to the ministry of catechesis.

We ask that you help us emulate Jesus in our efforts to teach the Faith.

Send the Holy Spirit upon us and those we teach,

That together we'll continue growing in our disciple relationship with Jesus—

Lived in full communion with His mystical body and spotless bride,

Your holy, Catholic church.

We ask these blessings in the most holy name of Jesus,

By the life-giving, truth-bearing power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

#1

Make prayer a key ingredient in your lesson planning.

#2

Have a clear objective.

#3

Make a connection to some aspect of the learner's life.

#4

Catechists are witnesses as well as teachers! 😊

#5

At some point, ask your learners what Jesus might be saying to them—personally—in the lesson’s little piece of Sacred Scripture or Sacred Tradition.

#6

Give your learners an opportunity to reach out briefly to Jesus with a thought or feeling.

#7

Give your learners an additional brief opportunity to react or respond to the teaching that you share in your lesson.

#8

Assess—somehow. “What did they learn?”

#9

Study the ecclesial method, the lectio divina method etc.

#10

Even if you've not done a halftime prayer, be sure to pray at the end of your time together.

You're an "influencer." 😊



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1. Prayer
2. Objective
3. Connection
4. Witness!
5. “What’s Jesus saying?”
6. “What’s my response?”
7. (additional reaction/response)
8. Assess
9. Additional resources & for #10, see #1 😊