



Tweet, Tweet, Get On Your Feet: #Kagan #Cooperativelearning

A month in the life of a twitterer

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Teachers world-wide are increasingly bringing the real-time communication power of Twitter into the classroom to help students learn. For me nothing beats face to face interaction! However most of us are aware that mobile devices allow us as educators to bring some additional life into our Teaching and Learning. Twitter has become one of the best places for teachers to collaborate, to ask and answer questions, to share solutions to common classroom problems, and to discuss and formulate education policy.

In addition to using Twitter for your own classroom, you can follow T2TUK and KaganUK on twitter or engage with like-minded educators about everything Kagan.

To follow Kagan Publishing and Professional Development on Twitter, go to:

<https://twitter.com/T2TUK> . T2TUK/KaganUK tweets pictures, ideas, training opportunities, and special promotions. Take a peek at Kagan UK's tweets and follow the leader in active engagement.

Engage with other Cooperative Learning inspired educators on Twitter. Type the hashtag #Kagan #Cooperativelearning in the search box, and you'll see a real-time stream of discussion about Kagan Cooperative Learning. Below are recent tweets by me and other educators about this revolutionary way to teach:



Students don't come to school to watch old people work. [#kagan](#) [#cooperativelearning](#)

"It is better to try and fail than to fail to try." Spencer Kagan

[#Kagan](#) Structures: research-based instructional strategies that have a track record of improving academic achievement

In [#Kagan](#) [#Cooperativelearning](#) as students interact with each other they figure out the best way to learn it and own it together [@KaganOnline](#)

Difference is not seen as a deterrent in [#cooperativelearning](#), but as a rich opportunity to go more deeply into the learning

[#CooperativeLearning](#) supports the development of a culture of learning where it is safe to share your thoughts and learning [@KaganOnline](#)

In [#kagan](#) [#cooperativelearning](#) students benefit from how they give peers feedback. By interacting in positive ways students are transformed!

[#Kagan](#) Structures engage every student In the traditional classroom the teacher is the hardest working Students need to work at least as hard!

When students are engaged, they pay attention, they're motivated, they learn more, and the learning sticks. Engage every student. [@kaganUK](#)

How do such simple little teaching strategies have such a profoundly positive effect on so many dimensions of learning? [#kagan](#) [@KaganUK](#)

Collectively we can do more working in teams together than the most brilliant individual alone. [#cooperativelearning](#) [@KaganUK](#) [@KaganOnline](#)

Education is a social process [@KaganUK](#) we believe social interaction is the natural context for learning. [#kagan](#) [#cooperativelearning](#)

The 'royal road' to brain engagement is social interaction. [@kaganUK](#) [#kagan](#) [#cooperativelearning](#)

[Kagan](#) [#cooperativelearning](#) has a proud history of helping schools across the country boost academic gains and close the achievement gap.

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Equal Participation: trad class = diff status levels [#Kagan](#) [#Cooperativelearning](#) Structures ensure equity—ALL students' learning is valued.

[#Kagan](#) Structures create a common definition of “student engagement” & they ensure that ALL—not a few or not some—students are truly engaged

Students in [#kagan](#) [#cooperativelearning](#) teams learn to thrive in diversity & to respect points of view very different from their own [@KaganUK](#)

Research confirms students who are active with content and with each other learn more than those who are passive [#kagan](#) [#cooperativelearning](#)

Students in [#kagan](#) [#cooperativelearning](#) classrooms are better prepared to thrive in a fast-changing interdependent world [@KaganOnline](#)

[#kagan](#) [#cooperativelearning](#) results in encouragement, coaching, positive feedback, and safety! All of which promote achievement. [@KaganUK](#)

How we teach communicates a set of values and impacts our students A [#cooperativelearning](#) class results in more cooperative students [#kagan](#)

With [#kagan](#) [#cooperativelearning](#) structures we have leverage we improve academic achievement, reduce the achievement gap& much more [@KaganUK](#)

[#kagan](#) [#cooperativelearning](#) lets learning happen! [@KaganUK](#) [@KaganOnline](#)

[#Kagan](#) Structures allow students to work in Pairs or small teams and require everyone to be responsible for their own learning. [@KaganUK](#)

It's pretty clear by collaborating with each other we might just create the best forum teachers have ever had.



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