

PLEASE Strategy Teaching Checklist

Preparation

- Understand the PLEASE strategy steps and purpose
- Choose a writing topic for modeling (e.g., "Why animals are important")
- Print or display the PLEASE poster
- Print graphic organizers (1 per student + extras)
- Prepare a sample paragraph using the strategy
- Print student checklists for self-monitoring
- Prepare sentence starters or frames for each step
- Create or display anchor charts with examples

Materials

- PLEASE Poster (visual reference)
- Graphic Organizer (blank for student use)
- Sample Paragraph (modeled example)
- Student Checklist (Did I use each step?)
- Rubric for assessing student writing
- Markers, chart paper, or whiteboard
- Student notebooks or writing paper
- Digital versions of materials (optional)

Lesson Components

- Hook/Introduction (Explain the purpose of the strategy)
- Direct Instruction (Explain each step of PLEASE)
- Think-Aloud Modeling (Use a sample topic and walk through each step)
- Guided Practice (Students work in pairs or small groups)
- Independent Practice (Students apply the strategy on their own)
- Sharing & Reflection (Students share and discuss their writing)

Support & Differentiation

- Visual aids/icons for each step
- Sentence frames for struggling writers
- Peer support or writing partners
- One-on-one conferencing time
- Adapted graphic organizer (simplified or with prompts)

Assessment & Follow-Up

- Collect and review student work
- Use rubric or checklist to assess understanding
- Provide feedback and next steps
- Plan for continued practice across subjects