

# Student learning characteristics judgements explained

Students are judged on a 1 to 5 scale for each of the learning characteristic areas. 1 is the weakest judgement and 5 is the strongest. A judgement of 5 means that the student is regularly doing the 5 things listed under the characteristic, a 3 means they are only doing three of them and so on. It is good to discuss with students their teachers' judgements and identify which things they need to do more of in order to improve their progress.



*The student regularly...*

- Completes challenging tasks to the best of their ability
- Tries to overcome problems independently before asking for teacher help
- Responds to failures or setbacks with more effort and focussed learning
- Thinks about the consequences of good or poor progress
- Works towards challenging targets they set themselves

*The student regularly...*

- Shows optimistic attitudes towards the way they can progress
- Puts a good level of effort into their learning
- Asks for feedback from teachers on how to improve
- Uses the feedback they receive to improve subsequent work or behaviours
- Is only satisfied with work that represents good progress for them

*The student regularly...*

- Starts tasks as soon as they are directed to do so
- Follows teachers' instructions when asked
- Has the right equipment for the lesson
- Remains on task
- Completes their home learning on time

*The student regularly...*

- Focuses on learning and ignores distractions
- Does not interrupt the teacher when they're talking
- Readily accepts requests such as seating position
- Stays calm when challenged by the teacher
- Happily learns in whatever group the teacher puts them in

*The student regularly...*

- Asks questions in class to further their understanding
- Shows evidence of further reading, revision or preparation at home
- Approaches all learning activities enthusiastically
- Takes up enrichment and/or opportunities for extra help
- Helps to motivate others in the class