

First classes with young learners – checklist

Checklist point	✓
You do something the students already know to boost their confidence.	
You do something new that your students may not know yet.	
Your students will have fun.	
You can test the level and knowledge of the class.	
You can test how quickly the class picks up new vocabulary and/or grammar.	
There are activities using several different learning styles.	
You get to make a personal connection with your students.	
Your students have a chance to work together as teams, groups and/or pairs.	
You learn your students' names and some information about them.	
Your students feel like they are being treated as individuals.	
Everybody has an opportunity to talk.	
The class is a good example of the methodology you want students to get used to for the rest of the course	
The language you teach will help you teach future lessons – e.g., classroom language, phonics, etc.	
Students are introduced to your policy on English use (e.g., teacher only speaks English; instructions are given in English but grammar explanations in L1, etc).	
You have a list of materials you and your students will need	
You plan to use activities that work well with all kinds of classes.	