

SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION

HOW ? SOME EFFECTIVE WAYS TO TEACH SPECIAL NEEDS...

- Keep classes fun and not too language heavy
- Enjoy interacting with students
- Find out your students' interests and tie the vocabulary & games to what they're interested in
- Simple songs with actions
- Songs with strong rhythms to learn vocabulary
- Students love playing cards, you can adapt games you've played in ES or JHS to suit the vocabulary
- Working together or separately to make things is perfect for quieter students.
- You can plant a garden, make Christmas cards or cook some international food together!

SONGS CARD GAMES

- Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes
 - Alphabet Song
 - London Bridge
 - Memory game
 - Go Fish
 - Karuta
 - Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes
 - Alphabet Song
 - London Bridge
- ## CRAFTS
- Opportunity for you to get to know the quieter students
 - Make something to be displayed on the English Board!
- ## COOKING
- Supply both Japanese and English recipes
 - Learn numbers together
 - Talk about food in different countries
 - Enjoy eating together
- ## ACTIVITY IDEAS

LESSON PLAN IDEAS

- ### LESSON LAYOUT TEMPLATE:
1. 5-10 minutes: Warm up and review
 2. 5-10 minutes: Teach new material
 3. 20 minutes: Activity using new material
 4. 5-10 minutes: Warm down, review or story time
- ### TOPICS:
- Colours (I like~)
 - Foods (My favourite ~ is ~)
 - Alphabet
 - Sports (I play/like ~)
 - Weather (It's ~)
 - Numbers
 - Emotions (I'm ~)
- You don't need to only teach English! Work in the garden together, try some science experiments or ask them to teach you how to make some origami!

TIPS FOR SUCCESS & HELPFUL REMINDERS

- Have fun & Enjoy your time together
- Don't stress & ask for help from the teachers
- Play to your strengths (If you have a special talent, teach them!)
- If a student does something that makes your uncomfortable or is dangerous, protect yourself and seek advice if needed.
- It is helpful to know the specific needs of each of your students but isn't necessary.

HELPFUL WEBSITES

- <http://genkienglish.net/specialneedseducation.htm>
- <http://www.jetsendai.com/educom-special-needs/>
- <http://englipedia.co/www.englipedia.net/>

WHAT IS SPECIAL NEEDS?

The term covers a wide range of situations, from students that have difficulties with reading, writing, memory or motor skills to behavioural problems.

WHY SHOULD WE TEACH SPECIAL NEEDS?

Teaching English in a special needs class is an excellent opportunity for students to enjoy learning another language without the pressure of examinations.

Although some of your students may not be proficient in their first language, this shouldn't be a reason they can't learn a second one. Students will feel confident and included and can show teachers how much they can achieve and even push people to change their assumptions.