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Laughter Lifts Learning

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Learning is a serious goal, but it's OK to laugh in the classroom – in fact, it's highly recommended. Humor relieves boredom, increases engagement, and supports recall. Students remember funny moments, which become triggers for the surrounding information.

Here are some ways to create laughter in your classroom:

Share a joke. Terrible puns and appropriate anecdotes liven up the mood of the classroom. If they're directly related to content – even better!

Show a funny picture. Search Google images for memes and cute animal photos to reinforce your content.

Tell a story. Personal stories, with amusing twists, can help potentially dull information come alive in students' imaginations. It's OK to make them up!

Don't feel you have to be a comedian. The bigger goal is to find something, anything that brings smiles and laughter into your training room.

Article of interest this month:

Using Humor In The Classroom

http://blog.scientix.eu/2017/07/using-humor-in-the-classroom/

For more ideas, check out this highly informative article on using humor in your classroom.