

### 31. What do I typically do to provide opportunities for students to talk about themselves?

The teacher provides students with opportunities to relate what is being addressed in class to their personal interests.

#### Teacher Evidence

- Teacher is aware of student interests and makes connections between these interests and class content.
- Teacher structures activities that ask students to make connections between the content and their personal interests.
- When students explain how content relates to their personal interests, the teacher appears encouraging and interested.

#### Student Evidence

- Students engage in activities that require them to make connections between their personal interests and the content.
- When asked, students explain how making connections between content and their personal interests engages them and helps them better understand the content.

### How Am I Doing?

	<b>4 Innovating</b>	<b>3 Applying</b>	<b>2 Developing</b>	<b>1 Beginning</b>	<b>0 Not Using</b>
<b>Providing opportunities for students to talk about themselves</b>	I adapt and create new strategies for unique student needs and situations.	I provide students with opportunities to relate what is being addressed in class to their personal interests, and I monitor the extent to which these activities enhance student engagement.	I provide students with opportunities to relate what is being addressed in class to their personal interests, but I do so in a somewhat mechanistic way.	I use the strategy incorrectly or with parts missing.	I should use the strategy, but I don't.