

Tips to Engage Your Learners

Make it relevant

Adults learn best when content is relevant to their jobs



Ask learners to work through clinical cases



Focus on content learners **need** to know



Explain why the topic is important

Keep it active

Include interactive activities every 10 minutes to improve knowledge retention. Try one of the following:

Think-Pair-Share

Learners consider a question, discuss with a neighbor, and report out

One Minute Paper

Learners write down a take-home point or an area of confusion

Audience Response

Low-tech (hand raising) to higher-tech (audience response system)

Have a Debate

Use a debate format or host a panel discussion to promote interaction

Engage your audience

We all learn best when interested and inspired



DO

- ✓ Use an outline
- ✓ Move around the room
- ✓ Show enthusiasm
- ✓ Modulate tone, pitch, and pace
- ✓ Be a storyteller, pause strategically



DON'T

- X Stand behind the podium
- X Avoid eye contact
- X Read off slides
- X Appear rushed or disinterested
- X Include too much content

For questions or help with your next talk, please contact education@thoracic.org

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