

Tips & Tricks for Teaching (T³)

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Discussion Techniques

1. Partners and/or Small Groups
2. Puzzle Technique
3. Generate original content
 - List things on blackboard/white board
 - Shareable Google docs
 - Quick in-class presentations
 - Edited volumes based on individual or group work

CANVAS tips: Collaborations, Chat, Discussions

Want more? [See this article.](#)

Mini-Simulations

1. Hypothetical or real-world scenario
2. Preview class before, or do it all in 1 class
3. Examples
 - Parties & Voters in an Election
 - Parties forming coalition
 - Authoritarian Leader vs. Opposition Groups
 - Defend position of different authors (debate)

CANVAS tip: Group assignments

Want more? Look [here](#) and [here](#).

Current Events Coverage

1. Post articles, require 1 comment + 1 response in discussion online
2. Have students follow 1 or 2 specific news sources
3. Have students pick a current news article about a topic to discuss

CANVAS tip: Discussions, Quizzes, Videos posted under “Modules”

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[NYT 50 Ways to Teach with Current Events](#)