Effective teachers check for understanding of the lesson to adjust the pace and clarity of the instruction. Research suggests it is important to identify and confront misconceptions that can interfere with learning.

**Here are some ideas to try:**

- Fingers: 3-2-1 or fist to 5 or thumbs up or down
- Ask questions and have many students answer
  - Not just volunteers
  - Not asking “Are there any questions?”
- Think, pair, share
- Frequent quizzes
- Check answers with neighbors
- Small Group discussions of main points

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