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## Tracking Student Progress: The Possibilities



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#### Who we are

Kognity is a learning platform built around the IGCSE and IBDP curricula that puts a wealth of teaching resources, student insights and practice center right at your fingertips - giving you more time to engage with your students.





#### Quick temperature check

1. Poll

#### 2. Menti code - 4323 6365

#### What is tracking?



#### "The act of putting students with similar abilities in a group and teaching them together"

Cambridge Dictionary

#### Why do you need to track?

Improved Academic Performance Individual Student Needs Preparation for next steps in learning journey

40-50% of what is taught in the classroom, students already know

40-50%

Teachers have no awareness of what students are doing in their classroom 60-80% of the time

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Nuthall, G. The Hidden Lives of Learners (2007)

#### Why do you need to track?



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#### What can you track?



- $\rightarrow$  Reading assignments
- $\rightarrow$  Question assignments
- $\rightarrow$  Independent reading
- → Self-assessment
- → Student progress



### Key benefits of tracking

Differentiation

#### Flipping the classroom

Tailored lesson planning

Time back in class

Self assessment

"When used correctly, **tracking** enables the teacher to cater their lessons toward the specific ability level of the **students** in their class. In low and normal achievement level **students**, this **can** help to ensure that the **students** learn the material at their own pace without falling behind" Barrington, K. (2020).

Consider - "Some people object to tracking because it gives an unfair advantage to intelligent children"

**Cambridge Dictionary** 



Centre for the use of research and evidence in education. <u>http://www.curee.co.uk/</u> Barrington, K. (2020). The Pros and Cons of Tracking in Schools: <u>https://www.publicschoolreview.com/blog/the-pros-and-cons-of-tracking-in-schools</u>

#### What is independent learning?



Independent learning can be thought of as *"the ability to take charge of one's learning"* 

Holec. (1981)

### What drives independent learning

"Independent learners are **empowered**, **unstressed**, **and in control**"

- Accessibility to content
- → Interactive and engaging content
- Motivation
- Ownership of learning
- Awareness of progress/strengths and weaknesses in real-time

- → Flipping the classroom
- → Assignments/Classroom
  quizzes
- Asynchronous learning
- → Remote learning

Donarski.S. (2017). Wellington Learning and Research Centre. https://learning.wellingtoncollege.org.uk/category/independent-learning/

### Key benefits of independent learning



Increased motivation and confidence

Creativity and intellectual curiosity



Greater student awareness of their limitations and their ability to manage them



Enabling teachers to provide differentiated tasks for students



Fostering social inclusion by countering alienation



Improved academic performance

#### How do online learning resources fit in?



"It [independent learning] does not mean students using technology without a clear sense of focus and direction."

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#### How to track?



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#### What do our students show us?



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Kognity Student Self-Quizzing





#### What has changed?

**Assignments Sent** 



#### What are teachers saying?

"It allows me to ensure that students are doing the required reading at home and I can also monitor their understanding of topics throughout the course."

"They have all the statistical analysis, their progress, the timing, which is really fantastic. Kids really care about their progress so that part is really useful. It's the perfect tool for reviewing progress"

Vinita Sharma, Biology Teacher - Gunma Kokusai

Ryan Macdonald, Biology Teacher - British School, Jakarta

"As a teacher I find that Kognity helps me to flip the classroom by allowing me to send out assignments to students, and then showing me where my students are struggling in black and white. As these assignments are automatically corrected, it has also been a time-saver".

> Andrew Couch, Head of Physics - West Island School, Hong Kong

"Kognity is value for learning. It will enable you as a Head to track learning activities, monitor teaching and student ownership, track formative assessment progress and have inspirational conversations with your staff and students. It helps raise success rates and improves student attainment"

Dr. Tassos Anastasiades, Head of School - Edubridge School, India

Academy, Japan

"I use Kognity data to help guide my revision sessions as I can see where students have put in less work or have lower average marks. I use the data from Kognity's assignments to inform what I'm going to teach as well. Kognity is undoubtedly time saving for teaching, 15 mins input producing about 5 hours of homework for the whole class that marks itself and collates all the data. Prerequisite reading can be done with teacher visibility, helping progress in class. We're trying to help students become more autonomous and better independent learners, and Kognity definitely helps with that."

#### What are students saying?

Do you think Kognity givesDoes Kognity motivate youDoes Kognity allow youyou more ownership of<br/>your learning?to work independently?track your strengths &<br/>weaknesses?





### What Next?



## The World is Changing

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Snyder, T., Brey, C., & Dillow, S. (2018). *Digest of Education Statistics* 2018. <u>https://nces.ed.gov/pubs2020/2020009.pdf</u> Trades Union Congress. (2019) <u>https://www.tuc.org.uk/blogs/working-home-rise-why-so-slow</u> Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development. (2020) <u>https://www.cipd.co.uk/about/media/press/home-working-increases</u>

#### FIGURE 27 | Perceived skills ar

#### Perceived skills and skills groups with growing demand by 2025, by share of companies surveyed

#### A. Relative importance of different skill groups



#### B. Top 15 skills for 2025

1	Analytical thinking and innovation	9
2	Activo learning and learning strategies	10
3	Complex problem-solving	- 11
4	Critical thinking and analysis	12
5	Creativity, originality and initiative	13
6	Loadership and social influence	14
7	Technology use, monitoring and control	15
8	Technology dasign and programming	

Resilience, stress tolerance and fieldbility
Reasoning, problem solving and ideation
Ensotional initidigence
Troubleshooting and user experience
Service orientation
Systems analysis and evaluation
Persussion and negotiation



Future of Jobs Survey, 2020. World Economic Forum

#### What could the future look like?

"Technology is at the heart of the learning space of the future." Puckett, K (2017)



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