

# Why Integrate Collaborative Projects with Classroom Curriculum

1. Can you answer these questions with yes?

- Will this use of the Internet enable students to do something they couldn't do before?
- Will this use of the Internet enable students to do something they could do before, but better?
- Does this activity help me meet my teaching goals and objectives for student learning?

2. How are educational practices changing?

Industrial Model	Today's Model
teacher-centered	
Individual learning	
Passive learning by students	
Teachers are managers of learning	
bell curve for success: 20% leaders 30% professionals 30% functional workforce 20% non-functional	

3. How does collaborative learning fit into this new model?

1. Record one of your most successful learning sessions that engaged your students in a collaborative activity.
2. Share your "best practices" with your group. Record new ideas that you could use with your class.
3. As a group, record what learning attributes were evident that made these activities successful.

4. What is Your Overall Goal for Using Collaborative Learning?