## USE IT NOW

## How do you ensure students have opportunities to practice good communication in their classrooms?

- Provide a variety of ways for students to present their knowledge
  - Presentations
- Interviews
- Blog posts

- Discussions
- Podcasts
- Graphic organizers/ mind maps
- Create peer-to-peer review activities.
- Provide a writing guide with specific examples when giving students new forms of writing to complete.
- Direct students to writing and APA resources.
  - Center for Writing Excellence
  - Writing Help on Phoenix Connect
- Model substantial discussion posts.
- Ask open-ended questions that encourage conversation.
- Provide examples and non-examples when teaching students to analyze the needs of the audience and message content.
- Allow students to take risks with new communication tools.



"In the most fundamental way, communication depends on our ability to understand one another" (West and Turner, 2010, p. 4).

## COMMUNICATION