10 Steps to Increase your Classes Creativity...

- #1....Change the perspective of imagination as a subject for the arts. Problem solving, that's what every invention is an answer to...a problem. Problem solving is nothing more than applied imagination at work. Share simple inventions like the Post it note a chemist failure that was turned into a multi billion \$ product.
- #2....Make it a point to do things differently. Try writing with your other hand write with both hands.
- #3....Spend time thinking about how you can make things better.
- #4....Observation is the mother of imagination. The more experiences (real life or from other sources) the greater the imagination that can be brought to bear on potential solutions.
- #5....Don't evaluate imagination. Limitations inhibit creativity but it helps to have a framework to create within (Such as classroom expectations).
- #6....Ask questions...ask questions, did I mention the importance of questions?
- #7....Deprive a child of something and let them create a replacement.
- #8...Don't overly reward imagination recognize it, congratulate but encourage improvement.
- #9....Actively look for ways to encourage play and experimentation with new ideas.
- #10..Encourage the process more than the product! If you have a good process the product will always turn out well. If you work on just the product it might turn out ok, but if it does not you won't know where it went bad.

