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Below are the steps your child will take at home:

1. **W**atch - For homework, students are required to watch videos assigned by me. The videos introduce new content, and because they can pause, rewind and re-watch the videos, they can learn at their own pace.
2. **S**ummarize - While watching the video, students will write a summary of what they find out. Sometimes this will mean completing a worksheet or activity.
3. **Q**uestion - Finally, students will prepare questions about the video content for the next day’s lesson.

Students will come to class prepared

1. Review video with the whole class
2. Questions – Bring questions about content
3. Discussion - Small groups
4. Apply new content to problems and activities. Students will be active in creating their own content, by using language in different contexts, and recording their own short videos.



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