Attitude to Learning

Now that you have been given your ATL grade, you may need to think about what you need to do to improve in order to support your learning and progress

ATL grade	What does it mean? What can you do to improve?
Outstanding Learner	***You believe in yourself and take extra responsibility for your learning in order to make progress and achieve:*** • You are always ready to learn and organised, eg you have your equipment, you are punctual • You always listen carefully to teachers and other students so that you can learn from them and build upon their ideas • You make excellent and regular contributions to group work and class discussions • You develop what you have learnt in lessons in your own time, eg doing wider reading, completing extension tasks • You always hand in your homework on time and show you have worked hard on it • You are determined to succeed and never give up – even when it is hard (resilience) • You read the 'Now You Must' section on your feedback and act on the advice to help you improve your mark next time and make progress
Active Learner	***You believe in yourself and take responsibility for your learning; but you could improve some things:*** • You are regularly ready to learn • You regularly listen carefully to teachers and other students so that you can learn from them • You usually get involved and make positive contributions to group work and class discussions (eg asking and answering questions) • You are trying to take responsibility for your learning and progress, eg doing wider reading, completing extension tasks • You usually hand in your homework on time • You read the 'Now You Must' section on your feedback and act on the advice to help you make progress
Passive Learner	***You try to believe in yourself and are generally positive about your learning, but you don't always achieve your full potential and are not doing as well as you could:*** • You are sometimes ready to learn, but there are possible times when you are late or forget your equipment • You listen to teachers and other students, but you sometimes get distracted and let yourself down • You sometimes answer and ask questions, but you don't always make the effort to and rely on other students • You have missed some homework deadlines • You sometimes read the 'Now You Must' section on your feedback, but have to be reminded to complete the 'Action Taken' box • You might have received warnings in lessons for your behaviour and effort, and may even have been given a negative point • Sometimes you let yourself down as you don't try as hard as you could, eg not revising for a test or rushing homework
Requires Improvement	***You don't always believe in yourself and this is shown in your attitude and means you aren't achieving your full potential.*** • Your learning might be being affected because of your attendance, punctuality and lack of equipment • You interrupt lessons, which means you stop the learning of other students • You do not always complete the work expected • You don't always do what the teacher asks • You often fail to hand in homework on time or have just rushed it • You don't always read the 'Now You Must' section on your feedback, and don't complete the 'Action Taken' box