






Six Characteristics of an Effective Learner

1. Ambitious	Ambitious learners want to succeed at whatever they do and endeavour to be the best. This could mean building the tallest tower of bricks in Early Years or solving the hardest of maths problems in Year 6.	
2. Collaborative	Collaborative learners can problem solve through sharing ideas and resources while being respectful and tolerant of others. Collaborative learners both provide and receive feedback openly and honestly with a focus on the common goal. They recognise the strengths of others.	
3. Curious	Curious learners always want to go the extra mile. Their approach is characterised by questions: How? Why? What? When? They always want to know more and will often invest their own time in further exploring concepts, subjects and ideas.	
4. Reflective	Reflective learners are keen to identify the strengths and weaknesses of their own learning and of the work they produce. They acknowledge the value of progress and effort rather than just the outcome. Reflective learners consider how one area of learning connects with others.	
5. Resilient	Resilient learners are characterised by their determination to succeed, irrespective of the barriers they may face. They rise to a challenge and adopt a positive 'can do' approach. Resilient learners are not unduly affected by setbacks but will bounce back and keep going.	
6. Resourceful	Resourceful learners are creative, open-minded, persistent and hopeful. They are adept at solving problems and will always 'find a way'.	