WHAT ARE GOALS?

RESOURCES



Tasks or achievements that you are consciously and actively trying to attain

Purpose

Provides direction and motivation to stay on track towards task completion

Effective goals are:

- Challenging
- Realistic
- Specific
- Intrinsically motivating (definition of intrinsic motivation on the next page)





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SETTING GOALS

For Students and Parents





TYPES OF MOTIVATION

GOAL SETTING

STRATEGIES

Extrinsic

What is extrinsic motivation?

• Completing a task for an external reward

Examples of extrinsic motivation:

- Getting good grades in return for money or a gift from family
- Making decisions to meet other people's expectations
- Making decisions to gain approval from others

Intrinsic

What is intrinsic motivation?

• Completing a task for personal interest or satisfaction

Examples of intrinsic motivation:

- Exploring what interests YOU
- Making decisions that align with YOUR own interests and values
- Pursuing a task for selffulfillment

Setting a goal includes 3 practices:

Self-Regulation

Utilizing strategies to stay on track Examples:

- Splitting a goal into smaller tasks
- Rewarding yourself when you complete a task

Self-Monitoring

Observing the progress you are making towards your goal Examples:

- Checking to see if you are meeting deadlines
- Keeping note on how you are progressing

Self-Assessment

Evaluating your progress and making changes, if necessary
Examples:

- Seeking a different strategy
- Revising your plan of action

Definition

Actionable steps required to reach a goal

Effective Strategies

Achieving a goal often requires the utilization of multiple strategies

It is important to apply the appropriate strategy for a specific task

How to Use

- Understand various strategies that are available (e.g., divide goal into small tasks)
- Apply a strategy to a specific task (e.g., use a planner to write down deadlines for individuals tasks)
- Change strategies based on assessments (e.g., extend deadlines if needed)