14 Tips For Promoting Progress in the language classroom using TARGET LANGUAGE

1. Start the first lesson in TL to set the tone
2. Advise students they will rarely understand everything, but they must try, using clues and regular practice
3. Regularly check comprehension
4. Briefly explain the research and how their pronunciation, motivation, accuracy and listening skills will improve by using L2
5. Use a combination of target language and English in all lessons
6. Slow down your rate of delivery until students show confidence in using and understanding L2
7. Define words by L2 examples, rather than in L1
8. Use key words and phrases more than once
9. Use the tone of your voice, body language, gestures and visual support to emphasise key parts of speech
10. Teach students key phrases and requests, as well as ways to clarify and ask for assistance from the outset
11. Encourage spontaneous use of TL every lesson
12. Offer feedback, support and praise to assist students' accurate use of TL and develop confidence
13. Negotiate 'banned' phrases, such as: 'what?' and 'I don't understand' etc, to develop a growth mindset
14. Don't give up and tell students they aren't allowed to either