

Using Ignite at Home and in the Classroom: Best Practices for Maximizing Learning Time With Ignite by Hatch™

Ignite can be a valuable tool in the classroom and at home when supported effectively. By incorporating Ignite thoughtfully, teachers can create meaningful learning experiences that bridge classroom instruction and digital play while supporting families in extending learning at home. Here's how teachers can maximize its impact and help families use it successfully

Support Ignite Use at Home:

Communicate the benefits of Ignite to families.

- Send home letters or emails explaining how Ignite reinforces classroom learning. Highlight its ease of use and learning benefits.



Provide families with simple strategies to integrate Ignite into routines.

- Share tips on when and how to use Ignite at home, such as before bedtime, during quiet time, or after completing chores.

Host a short Ignite demo session for families.

- Offer a workshop or virtual meeting to show families how to navigate the dashboard, track progress, and support learning.

Send home personalized learning goals.

- Use Ignite data to suggest specific skills for parents to focus on at home, such as practicing letter sounds or counting activities.

Encourage home-school connections.

- Ask children to share their Ignite progress with their parents and bring back stories about what they practiced at home.

Integrate Ignite Into Daily Routines:

Use Ignite as a center activity.

- Set up a dedicated tablet station where students rotate through Ignite as part of their learning centers.

Incorporate Ignite into transitions.

- While waiting for classmates to finish an activity, students can engage with Ignite for a few minutes.

Make Ignite part of morning work or early-finisher tasks.

- Ignite can be included into a morning work routine or students who complete an assignment early can work on Ignite while waiting for the next activity.

Monitor and Use Ignite Data:

Check student progress weekly.

- Use the real-time data dashboard to identify areas where students are excelling or need more support.

Group students based on skills.

- If the data shows a group struggling with rhyming, plan a small-group lesson focused on that skill.

Celebrate progress in class.

- To encourage motivation, create an Ignite achievement board where students' learning milestones are displayed.

Use Ignite data to inform instruction.

- Identify trends in students' progress and adjust lesson plans to reinforce skills they are practicing in Ignite.

Connect Ignite to Classroom Learning:

Reinforce skills with hands-on activities.

- If students practice counting in Ignite, have them count objects in the classroom for reinforcement.

Extend digital learning to small groups.

- Discuss Ignite challenges and strategies in small-group instruction to build on what students learn in the app.

Encourage peer learning.

- Pair students to share Ignite experiences and discuss their favorite games and skills.

Use Ignite themes for classroom activities.

- If students are working on rhyming in Ignite, incorporate rhyming games or word hunts into class activities.

Engage Families With Ignite:

Send home Ignite reports.

- Share student progress with families and suggest ways they can support learning at home.

Create an Ignite family challenge.

- Encourage parents to set weekly Ignite goals with their child and celebrate achievements together.