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For Participants in LEA's Secondary Education Network.

Today's students will enter a workforce that spans borders, time zones, and cultures. Employers continue to name skills like communication, collaboration, adaptability, and critical thinking as essential. How do you work on these strategies? See [Classroom Strategies That Build Global Competence and Career Readiness](#). (Hannah Pilit in *Participate Learning*)

Is one of your top priorities making sure students stay engaged and focused during a unit? [Creating a Curriculum-Based Board Game From Scratch](#) is a fresh and unique project—something that instills intrinsic value and a desire to not only attend class, but also work diligently. (Zoe Caponegro in *Edutopia*)



Focus is something we expect teenagers to have, but rarely teach them how to build. We tell them to “pay attention” or “concentrate,” but in a world buzzing with alerts, deadlines, and distractions, what does that really mean? More importantly, what does *focusing well* actually look like for a modern teenager? Read [How to Focus: Study Skills for the Teenage Brain](#) by Karen Tui Boyes.

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