

# BOY Best Practices Checklist

## Setting the Right Tone for the School Year

### Before BOY Testing

- Communicate clearly with students about why BOY testing matters and how it helps their learning.
- Emphasize effort over scores.
- Prepare the environment: tech check, calm space.
- Balance expectations: it's one piece of data, not the whole story.

### During BOY Testing

- Encourage pacing: remind students to take their time.
- Watch for stress: reassure anxious learners.
- Monitor environment: limit noise and tech issues.
- Take notes: observe effort & behavior beyond answers.

### After BOY Testing

- Interpret scores as a data point, not the whole story.
- Pair BOY results with informal checks: games, quizzes, discussions.
- Focus on strengths first to build confidence.
- Stay flexible with group placements as you learn more.
- Share insights with colleagues & parents for aligned support.
- Talk to students: invite reflection in age-appropriate ways.

### Classroom Culture in the First Weeks

- Build relationships: know interests & motivations.
- Set high expectations for growth.
- Create a safe, positive space where mistakes are part of learning.
- Keep learning joyful: use games, collaboration, and creativity to build confidence.

### The Eureka Difference

At Eureka, we:

- Continuously assess in fun, low-stakes ways.
- Push students at or above grade level.
- Blend strengths-based learning with targeted support.
- Ensure students love the journey.

That's why 95% of students say they love their "Eureka Time."

