

Chapter 4 | Methods of Teaching with an Online Focus

Resource 1 | Can you spot the strengths and weaknesses for online-focused methods of teaching?

Below is a list of six teaching methods commonly used in online instruction. For each method, identify one strength and one weakness from the list below.

	Classroom Type Online Learning	ADDIE Method	Online Collaborative Learning	Competency Based Learning	Communities of Practice	Agile Design
1.Strength						
2.Weakness						

- A. Less appropriate for novice participants
- B. Relatively new approach; limitations not well known
- C. Materials can be available for repeat viewing at any time
- D. Social learning largely ignored
- E. Supports a range of high-level intellectual skills
- F. Does not scale easily
- G. Meets the immediate needs of businesses and professions
- H. Supports lifelong learning
- I. Associated with good quality and systematic design
- J. Courses can be developed and offered quickly
- K. Front-end loaded and can be overly complex and rigid
- L. Just adding technology does not automatically meet changing needs

Solution: Classroom Type Online Learning: 1c, 2l; ADDIE: 1i, 2k; Online Collaborative Learning: 1e, 2f; Competency Based Learning: 1g, 2d; Communities of Practice: 1h, 2a; Agile Design: 1j, 2b