Basics of Implementing an Active Learning Approach

Use the appropriate educational technique.
Match your pace to the learner.
Follow the learner's lead.
Don’t overreact or over praise the learner.
Be aware of the type of skill(s) the learner is working on in an activity.
Select materials that are based on the child's sensory preferences and developmental level.
Arrange materials so the learner has physical access to explore independently.
Position the learner so he/she can move optimally.
Remain silent during the child's exploration - share simple feedback when the learner takes a break or at the end of the activity.
Allow plenty of time for the learner to respond.
Use a wide variety of materials with differing properties.
Change only one feature at a time in an activity when the learner is ready for new experiences.
Recognize that the child needs to work at his/her current skill level.
Observe the child and your own interactions.

Of the basic implementation strategies above, which do you disagree with or find difficult to implement?

What can you do to improve your implementation of these basic strategies?