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Teaching Tip Template

Title

Graffiti Wall

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• Purpose of this tip/idea

If you are tired of constantly running out of dry-erase markers and the mess created when students write examples on the board; this idea solves that problem, interests students, and looks great in the classroom

Intended student population or grade level

Secondary

Teaching tip.

I covered an unused corner of my room by stapling up floor-to-ceiling black paper. When students asked what it was, I told them it was a graffiti wall. Of course, they wanted to write on it! I told them if they wrote a great example of today's lesson in their notebooks, they could use colored chalk to write it on the wall. They will write and rewrite to have a chance to write on the wall. Students are willing to check spelling, watch capitalization, and master the sentence structure or writing skill of the day. We love it!

