

## VIRTUAL CLASSROOM STRATEGY GUIDE

# Strategies for Integrating the Learning Ally Audiobook Solution in the Virtual Classroom

### Whole-Group Instruction

- The Learning Ally Audiobook Solution can be used during virtual whole-group instruction as long as one student joining the session qualifies for the Learning Ally Audiobook Solution.
- Open the app and select the book you would like to use during class. Next, share your screen with students.

**Pro Tip:** Use these [Learning Ally Audiobook Solution “Book Starters”](#) to pique students' interest in a new book and encourage them to think critically.

### Student Engagement

- Involve students in picking audiobook reading selections by using polling tools in the virtual classroom to help identify books that students want to read.
- Each book in the Learning Ally Audiobooks App has an image and synopsis, which can be used for an overview. Get students interested in the selected text by sharing your screen in the virtual classroom and having students make predictions about the books.

**Pro Tip:** If your students are comfortable using the virtual platform, have them go into breakout rooms to complete a [Pre-Reading Investigation Activity](#).

### Book Selection

- Schedule time with students via web conference or phone to set reading goals and discuss how they will use the Learning Ally Audiobook Solution to reach them.

**Pro Tip:** Encourage students to participate in Learning Ally's popular [33 And Me! Program](#) where they can earn prizes just for reading. Complete this [goal-setting template](#) with students to keep them focused on their reading goal.

- Prepare a “mini lesson” on how to select the right book for reading. The lesson can be recorded and added to Google Classroom or emailed to students and their parents.

**Pro Tip:** Share the [Adding a Book: A Student's Perspective video](#) with students.

### Personalizing the Learning Ally Audiobooks App

- Ask students using the Learning Ally Audiobook Solution to join you for a fun exercise by creating their own reading environment in the Learning Ally Audiobooks App. Share your screen and highlight the various ways they can customize their settings.

**Pro Tip:** Share the [Overview of the Learning Ally Audiobooks App video](#).

- Share the Learning Ally Audiobooks App video with parents and students to inform them of how to log on, add a book, and customize the audiobook app experience.

**Pro Tip:** Share the [Distance Learning Reading Strategies video](#) with parents to help them understand how to add books to their student's bookshelf.