

Talk it Through

Talk to a friend (or just out loud to yourself) about what you need to get done.

Make a Small Goal Today

Pick one thing that you want to accomplish or learn by the end of class today.

Help a Friend

Ask friends if they need any help with their projects. Even if you're a beginner, everyone has something to contribute.

Search Online

See if someone else has an answer! Try Googling [project you're working on] + [thing you want it to do]

Take a Break

Take a walk. Read a book. Then try again.

Just Keep Going

Try lots of things! Try three other strategies! You've got this.

Compromise

What is one thing you imagine your project doing? Can you just get part of that done today?

Break it Down

Write down three things that make up the problem.

Try Something Else

There are many ways to do the same thing in. What's another way you might try?

Tell a Story

Write out what your project will do. How will a user feel when they interact with your project?



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Strategies on these cards from Getting Unstuck project by Paulina Haduong & Karen Brennan at HGSE.

Use blank cards for students to add their own strategies!

Draw a Diagram

Draw a map or a flow-chart of how you envision your project working.

Problem? Opportunity!

Can't get past a problem? Can you reframe the problem so that it becomes an advantage?

Ask a Friend

Ask a friend to take a look at your project. Everyone needs help sometimes!

Recruit a Teammate

Ask a friend to join you on your project. What strengths do they have to contribute?

Make a Checklist

Make a list of everything you want your project to do.

Be Inspired by Others

Find a project you find exciting and ask about it. What do you notice? What can you learn from it?



