Flexible Seating in 1st grade

What is flexible seating?

In a traditional classroom, desks or tables are surfaces used for writing and chairs are used for sitting. In a classroom that uses flexible seating, students may be found sitting on the floor, sitting on pillows, sitting on cushioned crates, sitting on yoga balls or other equipment. Students may still use traditional tables or desk, or they may use other tools such as lap desks and clipboards. Flexible seating is designed to lessen stationary time and increase student engagement and movement.

What it looks like in my classroom



Why did I decide to use a flexible seating plan?

- Engagement
- Motivation
- Movement

Is there research behind this thinking?

- Physical health
- Collaboration
- Communication
- Sensory input
- FUN!

https://smithsystem.com/smithfiles/2017/11/29/top-10-benefits-flexible-seating-classroom/

https://www.edutopia.org/blog/flexible-seating-student-centered-classroom-kayla-delzer

GOAL: Get more flexible

- Different seating
- Different tables
- More student centered



