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Flipclassroom and Geoscience

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In France, students begin studying plate tectonics for the first time at the age between 13 and 15 years old, it's just to have the main idéas about this topic. Then, they studie it to pass their baccalaureat exam. I teach in a secondary school and I also teach students who are in the hospital because they can't go to school. For them, I must use several teaching methods because the situation is different. It is not always possible to propose them practical activities, therefor I use more videos and animations.

Several topics of geosciences can be taught by flipclassroom. The students have some infomations about the lesson before they do the activity in the classroom. I create an ILS, an inquiery learning space with a platform calling graasp.eu. This space can include text, pictures, table, videos, links. The students only need a nickname to connect to the platform. They find all the knowledge that they need to do the exercices. They can work at home as long as they want. The teachter can help them, it is possible to give a feedback about their writting. The students have to produce a work and send it by the platform before the deadline. The students like this kind of work, it is unusual. However, they need a good network to use this platform.