Top Ten Online Learning Strategies

1. **Familiarize yourself with technology**
   - Being willing to learn about technology is incredibly important when transitioning to online learning. Getting familiar with the programs your professors are using, finding online resources, and learning new techniques are the first steps to successful online learning.

2. **Create a dedicated study space**
   - Eliminating distractions by creating a space where you feel focused, organized, and prepared can help you stay on task and motivated.

3. **Identify your learning objectives and goals**
   - Before you get started, identify your goals to help you stay focused and to eliminate wasted time.

4. **Stay organized**
   - Planning ahead and using resources like to-do lists or calendars will remind you of your deadlines, keep you organized, and ensure you don’t get lost in your classes or miss assignments. Remember to refer to your lists and calendars frequently to stay on track.

5. **Set time limits**
   - Setting time limits for study or homework sessions helps to keep you focused and productive. Don’t forget to take short breaks when needed.

6. **Ask for help**
   - Sometimes things can be difficult to understand without an in-person explanation. Review assignments and class requirements on your own, and if there are things you do not understand, it is imperative that you ask your professor or classmates for help. Since you are responsible for your own learning, making sure you understand what is required of you is key to your success.

7. **Actively participate**
   - Treat your online work as importantly as you would for an in-person class, and make sure to ask questions, provide feedback to professors and peers, and participate in class discussion just as you would in person. This helps to keep you engaged and interested in the content.

8. **Hold yourself accountable**
   - Setting goals and checking in on your progress weekly is a great way to stay on track. If you are finding it difficult to hold yourself accountable, reach out to someone you trust to help you.

9. **Identify your preferred learning style**
   - Figuring out how you learn best will help make studying and learning on your own easier. Reviewing content in creative and unique ways that best suits your learning style will help you understand and retain information more easily.

10. **Don’t give up**
    - If you’re feeling frustrated, discouraged, or that you’re lacking support, do not give up. Reach out to others and remind yourself that you’re not alone!