

Cardano Starter Kit #002

How to talk about Cardano with Your Friends & Family

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Education Terms

- **Project Based Learning:** We learn by doing things
- **Problem Based Learning:** We learn by figuring things out
- **PBL:** Opportunities to practice collaboration and executive functioning
- **Formative Assessment:** Finding out what people know/understand
- **Scaffolding:** Build upon what people know, reveal next steps
- **Agency:** People making their own decisions, defining actions
- **Intrinsic vs Extrinsic Motivation:** Why should someone do something?
- **Teaching vs Learning:** Do I focus on what I know, or what others understand?

Teaching is effective only if it leads to learning

- Find the right **projects**
- Find the right **problems**
- Find the right **metaphors**
- Find the right **stories**

Part 1: Lesson Planning in PBL Context

How do you prepare for conversations about Cardano?

- Planning and conversations are iterative
- Choose quality content
- Balance content consumption with making time to think about how you'll apply what you just learned from that content
- Join conversations: Meetups, Discord, Reddit, Cardano Forum
- Small actions > Grand speculation
- Marathon > Sprint
- Drops in the bucket: If you practice and participate a little every day, you'll come up with good ideas

Part 1 Task: Balance Content with Reflection

How do you prepare for conversations about Cardano?

- Watch or listen to any podcast you want
- Step away and think of a **metaphor** or **story** that will help you explain that idea
- Practice + Iterate
- Name your goals. (One of mine is increased agency)

"What problem do you want to solve? How do you want to solve that problem? What do you need to learn to solve that problem?"

Jaime Casap ([link in CSK documentation](#))

Part 2: Problem-Based Conversations

- Formative assessment & Scaffolding
- Is your focus on teaching or learning?
- You're not in charge

Remember:

- This is iterative work
- It's not about how much information you can cram into your head, it's about how much you're able to help other people understand.

Part 2 Task: Go have a Conversation

Assess

- What problems do you hear?
- What metaphors have you tried?
- What questions were raised in your conversation?

Reflect

- Share in Discord

Prepare (Optional)

- Listen to Cardano Foundation CEO Frederik Gregaard on the Crypto Valley Podcast (linked in accompanying document)

Part 3: Project-Based Outcomes

- What can we do now?
- What will we do soon?
- This is why we're creating CSKs
- Ways to get involved

Part 3 Tasks: Set up Wallets + Problem Sensing

- Go help someone get hands-on with Cardano!

Part 4: How can the Marlowe Playground help us talk about Cardano?

- What can non-developers do with the Marlowe Playground?
- In a conversation, how would you describe each of the five contracts?
- Deeper dive: what is the difference between ***If*** and ***Assert*** contracts?
- Further reading (see docs)
- What new questions does this raise?