Field Experience Opportunities

All of the following are important to the management of the instructional environment in the classroom. The following are suggestions of some methods to assist and gain experience and to make the most of the opportunity that is available to you while you are in the classroom. Each classroom is different and not all of the following are appropriate for every classroom. The level of your participation is dependent upon the grade, classroom and the host teacher. Please make the most of your opportunity and show initiative!

Hand out or collect materials
Assist with a small group
Help individual students with seatwork
Monitor or give a test or quiz
Help with or set up a learning center or lab
Run a video, etc.
Correct papers
Run errands for the teacher
Organize materials for a lesson
Tutor a child
Help to arrange a bulletin board
Team teach
Read a story
Take attendance
Bring books or materials to share with students
Assist with a special needs student
Help students at the computer
Listen to an individual student read
Make copies of materials for a lesson
Teach part of a lesson
Research media or library books to be used for a lesson
Help with homework
Write assignments on the board
Do a special lesson
Make a chart or graphic organizer for the class
Help teacher with planning

If all of the above fails, observe the classroom teacher!