Features of Effective Instruction Checklist

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| FEATURE OF EFFECTIVE INSTRUCTION | + | - | + | 1 | EVIDENCE/RECOMMENDATIONS |
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| Systematic Instruction Skills are presented logically and sequentially, from simple to complex Involves step-by-step instruction when necessary Includes manageable steps appropriate to instructional goals Pacing is appropriate to student attention, understanding, and acceleration | | | | | |
| Explicit Instruction Sets purpose/goal for instruction and provides clear description of expectations Provides instructions that only have one interpretation using clear, direct language Identifies important details of concept being taught (not vague) Makes connection to previously learned material | | | | | |
| Multiple Examples or Models ☐ Teacher demonstrates the skill or task ☐ Uses visuals and/or manipulatives or other means of presentation ☐ At LEAST two models are provided ☐ Non-examples if appropriate | | | | | |
| Multiple Opportunities for Practice Guided practice Independent practice Practice occurs after teacher modeling for each step in instruction | | | | | |



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| ☐ Elicits group responses when feasible | | |
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| Corrective Feedback & Scaffolding Affirms correct responses and provides specific, corrective feedback for errors Elaborates on students' responses Provides various and appropriate cues (prompts, examples, encouragement) Ensures mastery OR understanding for most students before moving on | | |
| Provides feedback after task completion | | |

⁻Adapted for classroom use from Public Consulting Group's "Features of Effective Instruction Checklist" in CDE Module 1: Introduction to the Science of Reading