

Explicit Instruction:

An Investment with
Guaranteed Results

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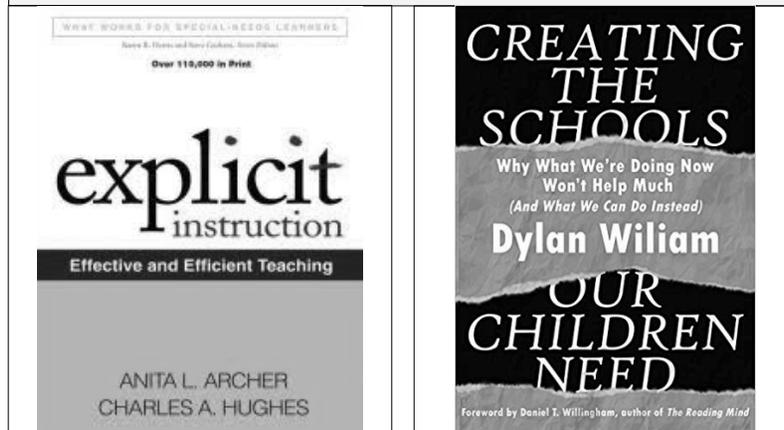
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Quality Instruction

The quality of teachers is the single most important factor in the educational system. Wiliam, 2018

Reworded

The quality of **TEACHING** is the single most important factor in the educational system.

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Quality Instruction

Students in 2nd grade

Student	Teacher	Outcome
50 th	3 years with high performing teacher	90 th
50 th	3 years with low-performing teacher	37 th

Sanders and Rivers, 1996

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Quality Instruction

Benefits of high teacher quality greater for low performing students than higher performing students.

Slater, Davis, and Burgess, 2008

Reworded

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Quality Instruction

“The quality of an education system cannot exceed the quality of its teachers.”

Barber and Mourshed, 2007

Reworded

The quality of an education system cannot exceed the quality of the **TEACHING**.

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Explicit Instruction and Discovery

Not an either or - but a when.

Explicit Instruction	Discovery
Little or no background knowledge	A great deal of background knowledge in the domain
History of difficulty or failure	History of success

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Outcome

Learning

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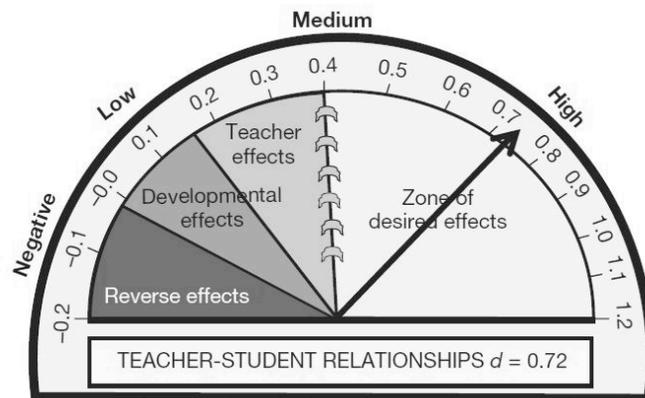
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John Hattie (2016)



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1. Focus **LEARNING** on critical content.

Decoding

Print Concepts
Phonological Awareness
Phonics and Word Recognition
Word Knowledge (Sight Vocabulary)
Fluency (Accuracy, Rate, Expression)

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1. Focus **LEARNING** on critical content.

Language Comprehension

Background Knowledge
Academic Vocabulary
Inferential Language Skills
Academic Language Skills
Narrative Language Skills

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Big Idea #1. Focus **LEARNING** on critical content.

Motto: *Teach the stuff and cut the fluff.*

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2. Clearly communicate the lesson's
goal to promote **LEARNING**.

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Hattie Effect Sizes

Learning Intentions	Hattie Effect Sizes
Learning Goals vs No Goals	0.68
Clear Goal Intentions	0.48
Appropriately Challenging Goals	0.59

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Vocabulary - Example

Learning Intention:

Students will understand the meaning of key vocabulary words and use the words correctly.

Content: Vocabulary Words from *Arctic Expedition*

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Vocabulary - Example

Success Criteria

Students will:

- Select correct vocabulary word when given word meaning.
- Generate sentences that accurately include vocabulary terms.

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Check for Understanding

1. frigid
2. treacherous
3. triumph
4. uninhabited
5. expedition
6. labor
7. dismantled

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Write a sentence that includes the words *uninhabited* and *frigid*.

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Sentence Checklist

- _____ My sentence is a complete sentence.
- _____ My sentence makes sense.
- _____ My sentence begins with a capital letter.
- _____ My sentence ends in a period.
- _____ My spelling is correct.
- _____ My handwriting is neat.

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2. **Big Idea :** Clearly communicate the lesson's goal to promote LEARNING.

Learning Intention: *Where am I going?*

Success Criteria: *Am I there?*

Motto: You cannot come out without an outcome.

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	Hattie Effect Size
Explicit Instruction Procedures	0.57
Direct Instruction	0.60
Mastery Learning	0.57

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3. Provide quality, engaging instructional lessons that yield **LEARNING**.

- Utilizing **explicit instruction** procedures.
 - **Modeling** concepts, skills, and strategies clearly in a step-by-step fashion. **I do it.**
 - **Guiding** students in initial practice of concepts, skills, and strategies. **We do it.**
 - **Checking understanding** of concepts, skills, and strategies. **You do it.**

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I DO IT.



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We do it.



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You do it.



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Distributed Practice



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Big Idea 3. Provide quality, engaging instructional lessons that yield **LEARNING**.

I do it.

We do it.

You do it.

I do it.

We do it.

You do it with partner.

You do it.

Motto: How well I teach = How well they learn

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4. Actively involve all students in responding throughout the lesson, making **LEARNING** visible.

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Elicit Frequent Responses

Verbal Response Procedures

Structured Choral
Structured Partners
Teams/Huddle Group
Individual – Random
Discussion

Written Response Procedures

Types of writing tasks
Whiteboards
Response Cards/Response Sheets
Writing Frames

Action Response Procedures

Acting out/Simulations
Gestures
Facial Expressions
Hand Signals

Reading Procedures

Whisper Reading (Silent)
Echo Reading
Choral Reading
Cloze Reading
Partner Reading

Technology Responses

Computers, ipads
Clickers, Plickers

Benefits: **Learning – Rehearse – Retrieve – Retain**

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Big Idea 4. Actively involve all students in responding throughout the lesson, making **LEARNING** visible.

Motto: *Learning is not a spectator sport.*

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5. Carefully monitor students' responses, adjusting the lesson as necessary to ensure **LEARNING**.

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Big Idea 5: Carefully monitor students' responses, adjusting the lesson as necessary to ensure **LEARNING**.

Motto: **Look carefully**
 Listen carefully

Circulate and monitor
 Walk around
 Look around
 Talk around

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6. Provide affirmative feedback (praise) and informative feedback (corrections) to support **LEARNING**.

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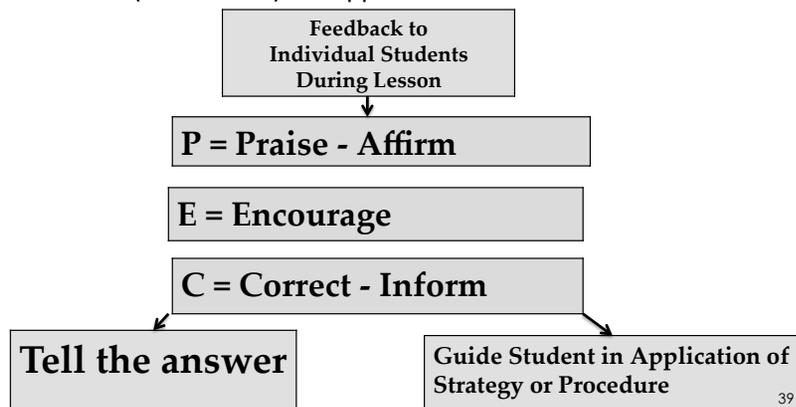
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	Hattie Effect Size
Feedback	.70

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- Big Idea 6.** Provide affirmative feedback (praise) and informative feedback (corrections) to support **LEARNING**.

Motto: *Feedback feeds back.*

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Deliberate practice is goal-oriented practice consciously devoted to improvement of a skill.

Spaced practice (also known as distributed practice) is a learning strategy, where practice is broken up into a number of short sessions - over a longer period of time.

Retrieval practice is a learning strategy in which students must retrieve information from memory.

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Practice	Hattie Effect Size
Deliberate Practice	0.79
Retrieval Practice	0.74
Spaced Practice	0.60

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Example – Spaced Practice

Vocabulary – Core Reading Program

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Introduction of vocabulary for Passage A	Quick retrieval practice		Quick review and expansion of difficult words	
Introduction of vocabulary for Passage B	Quick retrieval practice		Quick review and expansion of difficult words	Game - Mixed practice of difficult words A and B
Introduction of vocabulary for Passage C	Quick retrieval practice		Quick review and expansion of difficult words	Game - Mixed practice of difficult words A, B, and C

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Big Idea 7: Provide deliberate practice, retrieval practice, and spaced practice to ensure retention and **LEARNING**.

Motto: *Perfected practice over time makes perfect and permanent.*

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8. Utilize management procedures that support students and teachers, thus facilitating **LEARNING**.

Create a well-organized safe environment.

Teach predictable routines. *Predictability predicts ability.*

Provide clear expectations. *What we expect = What we get*

Provide pre-corrections. *If you expect it, pre-correct it.*

Provide acknowledgement. *Catch them being good.*

Maintain a perky pace. *Avoid the void for they will fill it.*

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	Hattie's Effect Sizes
Behavioral intervention programs	0.62
Behavioral organizers	0.42

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	Hattie's Effect Sizes
Teacher-Student Relationship	0.72

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Big Idea 9. Intentionally establish positive teacher-student relationships that support **LEARNING** in the classroom.

Motto: Connect. Connect. Connect.

**Be kind.
Be kind.
Be kind.**

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How well you teach = How well they learn
How well you manage = How well they behave

Teach with passion. Manage with compassion.

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Thank you

- May YOU thrive as educators.
- May your students thrive as learners.
- May our schools be peaceful, productive havens for all.
- May we be kind to ourselves, to our fellow educators, and to the children that we have the gift to teach.

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