

Foundations of Explicit Instruction

	Sixteen Elements of Explicit Instruction
Content	1. Focus instruction on critical content.
	2. Sequence skills logically.
	3. Break down complex skills and strategies into smaller instructional units.
Design of Instruction	4. Design organized and focused lessons.
	5. Begin lessons with a clear statement of the lesson goals and your expectations.
	6. Review prior skills and knowledge before beginning instruction.
	7. Provide step-by-step demonstrations.
	8. Use clear and concise language.
	9. Provide an adequate range of examples and non-examples.
	10. Provide guided and supported practice.
Delivery of Instruction	11. Require frequent responses.
	12. Monitor student performance closely.
	13. Provide immediate affirmative and corrective feedback.
	14. Deliver the lesson at a brisk pace.
	15. Help students organize knowledge.
Judicious Practice	16. Provide distributed and cumulative practice.

Principles of Effective Instruction
1. Optimize engaged time/time on task.
2. Promote high levels of success.
3. Increase content coverage.
4. Spend more time in instructional groups.
5. Scaffold instruction.
6. Address different forms of knowledge.