## Phases of learning



| Phase of learning  | Exit goal(s)<br>The student can:  | Effective teaching<br>strategies<br>The teacher should:  |
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| Acquisition<br>In this phase:<br>Students learn to<br>demonstrate facts,<br>concepts, strategies<br>and procedures | <ul> <li>demonstrate<br/>facts, concepts,<br/>strategies and<br/>procedures<br/>accurately, with<br/>minimal support</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>model the use of facts, concepts, strategies and procedures, talking through their approach</li> <li>present examples that assist students to build on their background knowledge and skills</li> <li>model multiple examples before students are expected to demonstrate their understanding of facts, concepts, strategies and procedures independently</li> <li>provide students with permanent models for their reference (eg completed problems)</li> <li>monitor student responses in order to</li> </ul> |

|  |  | <ul> <li>ensure understanding</li> <li>monitor student<br/>responses in order to<br/>ensure students do<br/>not repeat errors</li> <li>provide appropriate<br/>feedback to students<br/>about accuracy and<br/>effort</li> </ul>   |
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| Fluency<br>In this phase:<br>Students get faster<br>at demonstrating<br>facts, concepts,<br>strategies and<br>procedures             | <ul> <li>demonstrate<br/>facts, concepts,<br/>strategies and<br/>procedures readily</li> <li>combine newly<br/>acquired<br/>knowledge and<br/>skills with existing<br/>knowledge and<br/>skills</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>provide frequent<br/>opportunities to<br/>practise the use of<br/>facts, concepts,<br/>strategies and<br/>procedures</li> <li>provide<br/>opportunities for<br/><u>guided practice</u> before<br/><u>independent practice</u></li> <li>plan learning<br/>experiences that elicit<br/>frequent student<br/>responses</li> <li>provide appropriate<br/>feedback to students<br/>about accuracy and<br/>fluency</li> </ul> |
| Maintenance<br>In this phase:<br>Students<br>demonstrate their<br>ability to retain facts,<br>concepts, strategies<br>and procedures | <ul> <li>demonstrate the retention of facts, concepts, strategies and procedures</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>initially provide<br/>opportunities for<br/>frequent <u>review</u> of<br/>previously learned<br/>facts, concepts,<br/>strategies and<br/>procedures. The need<br/>for review reduces<br/>over time.</li> </ul>  |

|  |  | <ul> <li>build on students'<br/>understanding of<br/>facts, concepts,<br/>strategies and<br/>procedures by<br/>providing varied and<br/>increasingly complex<br/>examples</li> <li>provide<br/>opportunities for<br/>students to reflect on<br/>and evaluate their<br/>learning</li> <li>provide appropriate<br/><u>feedback</u> to students</li> </ul>              |
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| <b>Generalisation</b><br><i>In this phase:</i><br>Students learn to<br>apply facts, concepts,<br>strategies and<br>procedures in<br>different contexts | <ul> <li>distinguish<br/>between similar<br/>facts, concepts,<br/>strategies and<br/>procedures</li> <li>use facts,<br/>concepts,<br/>strategies and<br/>procedures in<br/>different contexts</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>identify conceptual<br/>links between strands</li> <li>provide<br/>opportunities for<br/>students to use facts,<br/>concepts, strategies<br/>and procedures in<br/>unfamiliar contexts,<br/>including problem<br/>solving</li> <li>provide<br/>opportunities for<br/>students to use<br/>problem-solving<br/>strategies in everyday<br/>contexts</li> </ul> |

## Legend

| Code | Level of Support            | Definition  |
|------|-----------------------------|---|
| FP   | Full physical assistance    | Physically assisting a student through every action involved with completing a task                                     |
| РР   | Partial physical assistance | Partial physical guidance to complete a task. Such as: a touch on the hand  |
| М    | Modelled response           | A demonstration to the student of the required action.  |
| G/S  | Gesture/sign                | A non-verbal action/instruction which cues a<br>student to perform a task or required action (e.g.<br>signing/pointing) |
| V    | Verbal                      | A spoken instruction which informs the student of the desired action.   |
| Ι    | Independent                 | Completing a task with no level of support  |