

Giving instructions to students in the classroom.

By following these steps, you can ensure that your students clearly understand what is expected of them, whether they are performing a written, listening, or oral task. This approach helps create a structured and supportive learning environment

1. Get Students' Attention



Description: Ensure all students are focused and ready to listen before giving instructions. **How to Implement:** Use a signal like clapping hands, ringing a bell, or simply saying, "Attention, please." Wait until everyone is quiet and looking at you.

2. Use Simple and Clear Language



Description: Use straightforward language and short sentences to avoid confusion. **How to Implement:** Break down instructions into small, manageable steps. Avoid using complex vocabulary or long explanations.

3. Demonstrate the Task



Description: Show students what they need to do rather than just telling them. **How to Implement:** Perform the task yourself or use a visual aid. For example, if it's a written task, write an example on the board; for a listening task, play a short sample; for an oral task, model the conversation.

4. Use Visual Aids



Description: Support your verbal instructions with visual aids. **How to Implement:** Use the smartboard, flashcards, or handouts to illustrate the steps. This helps visual learners and reinforces understanding.

5. Check for Understanding



Description: Ensure students understand the instructions before they start the task. **How to Implement:** Ask concept-checking questions (CCQs) like, "What will you do first?" or "Can someone repeat the instructions?" Alternatively, have a student demonstrate the task.

6. Provide Written Instructions



Description: Give students a written version of the instructions to refer to. **How to Implement:** Write the steps on the board or provide a handout. This is especially helpful for written tasks where students can follow along at their own pace.

7. Give Time for Questions



Description: Allow students to ask questions if they are unclear about the task. **How to Implement:** After giving instructions, pause and ask, "Are there any questions?" Encourage students to seek clarification if needed.

8. Monitor and Support



Description: Walk around the classroom to ensure students are on track and provide assistance as needed. **How to Implement:** Observe students as they begin the task, offer help to those who seem confused, and provide positive reinforcement to those who are on the right track.

9. Use Positive Reinforcement



Description: Encourage and motivate students by acknowledging their efforts and successes. **How to Implement:** Use phrases like, "Great job!" or "You're doing well!" to boost confidence and keep students engaged.

10. Review and Reflect



Description: After the task, review the instructions and the task outcome with the students. **How to Implement:** Discuss what went well and what could be improved. This helps students understand the importance of following instructions and prepares them for future tasks.