

9 Categories of Instructional Strategies (P.8)	Best Practices	Technology Tools/Take Aways
Setting Objectives / Providing Feedback Chapter 1, pp.17-56	Setting Objectives – Best Practices: *Set learning objectives that are specific but not restrictive *Communicate the learning objectives to students and parents *Connect the learning objectives to previous and future learning *Engage students in setting personal learning objectives Providing Feedback – Best Practices: *Provide feedback that addresses what is correct and elaborates on what students need to do next *Provide feedback appropriately in time to meet students’ needs *Provide feedback that is criterion referenced *Engage students in the feedback process	
Reinforcing Effort and Providing Recognition Chapter 2, pp.57-72	Reinforcing Effort – Best Practices: *Teach students about the relationship between EFFORT and ACHIEVEMENT *Provide guidance regarding “effort” – what does it look like *Track effort and achievement Providing Recognition – Best Practices: Practices: *Promote mastery goal orientation *Specific and aligned to performance behaviors *Concrete symbols	
Cooperative Learning Chapter 3, pp.73-87	Cooperative Learning – Best Practice: *Include elements of both positive interdependence and individual accountability *Keep group size small *Use cooperative learning consistently and systematically	

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Cues, Questions, Advance Organizers Chapter 4, pp.91-104	Cues, Questions – Best Practice: *Focus on what’s important *Use explicit cues *Ask inferential questions *Ask analytic questions Advance Organizers – Best Practice: *Use expository advance organizers *Use narrative advance organizers *Use skimming as an advance organizer *Use graphic advance organizers	
Nonlinguistic Representations Chapter 5, pp.105-146	Nonlinguistic Representations – Best Practice -- *Use graphic organizers *Make physical models or manipulatives *Generate mental pictures *Create pictures, illustrations, and pictographs *Engage in kinesthetic activities	
Summarizing and Note-taking Chapter 6, pp.147-166	Summarizing Practice: *Teach students the rule-based summarizing strategy *Use summary frames *Engage students in reciprocal teaching	
Assigning Homework and Providing Practice Chapter 7, pp.167-182	Homework – Best Practices: *Develop and communicate a district or school homework policy. *Design homework assignments that support academic learning and communicate their purpose. *Provide feedback on assigned homework. Practice -- Best Practices: *Clearly identify and communicate the purpose of practice activities *Design practice sessions that are short, focused, and distributed over time *Provide feedback on practice sessions	

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Identifying Similarities and Differences Chapter 8, pp.183-203	Identifying Similarities and Differences -- Best Practices: *Teach students a variety of ways to identify similarities and differences *Guide students as they engage in the process of identifying similarities and differences *Provide supporting cues to help students identify similarities and differences	
Generating and Testing Hypotheses Chapter 9, pp.204-226	Generating & Testing Hypotheses – Best Practices: *Engage students in a variety of structured tasks for generating and testing hypotheses *Ask students to explain their hypotheses and their conclusions	