

What has EdPsy Ever Done for Us?

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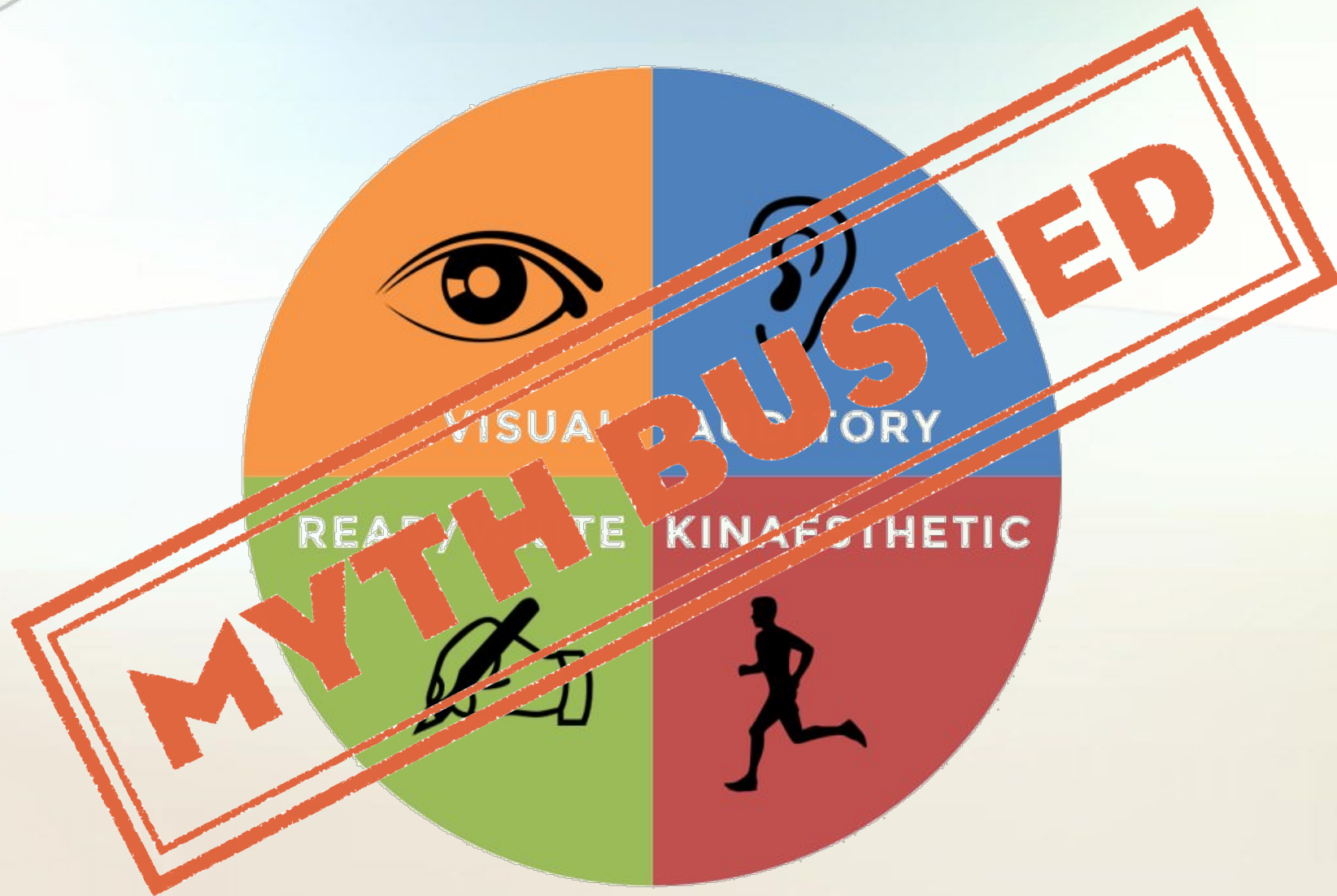
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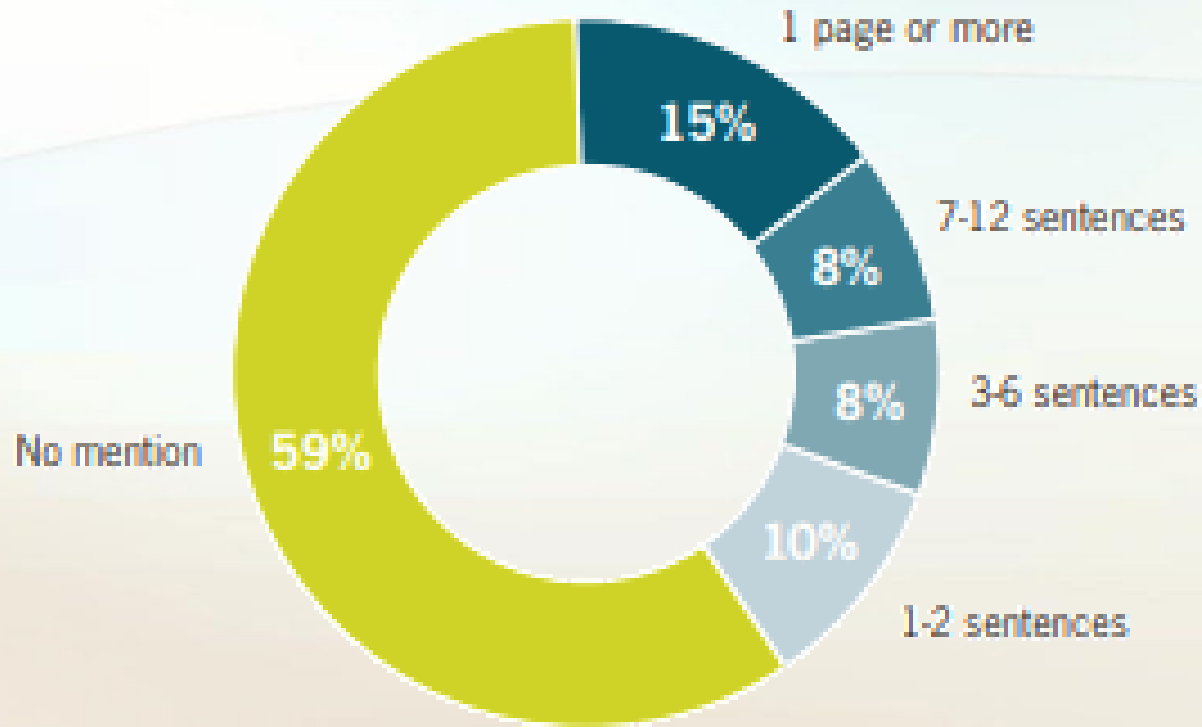
Neuromyth	Incorrect		Correct		Do not know	
	UK (%)	NL (%)	UK (%)	NL (%)	UK (%)	NL (%)
Individuals learn better when they receive information in their preferred learning style (e.g., auditory, visual, kinesthetic).	93	96	4	3	3	1
Differences in hemispheric dominance (left brain, right brain) can help explain individual differences amongst learners.	91	86	3	4	6	11

Neuromyth factor 1 items (ranked by % incorrect)	Correct answer	General public (N = 3,045) (%)	Educator (N = 598) (%)	High neuroscience exposure (N = 234) (%)
14. Individuals learn better when they receive information in their preferred learning style	FALSE	93 ^a	76 ^b	78 ^b
26. Children have learning styles that are dominated by particular senses	FALSE	88 ^a	71 ^b	68 ^b

Dekker, S., Lee, N.C., Paul, H-J, & Jolles, J. (2012). [Neuromyths in education: Prevalence and predictors of misconceptions among teachers](#). Frontiers in psychology, 3, 1-8.

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Figure A. Frequency and length of mentions of any of the six fundamental instructional strategies (n=288)



Pomerance, L., Greenberg, J., & Walsh, K. (January 2016). *Learning about Learning: What every new teacher needs to know*. National Council on Teacher Quality

Are University Faculty to Blame for the Prevalence of Educational Myths? A Cross-Sectional Study of Trainee Teachers

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Education University of Hong Kong

Anisa Cheung

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

This mixed-methods study examined the beliefs, and their origins, of trainee teachers regarding a number of myths and misconceptions about teaching and learning. Using a cross-sectional experimental design, survey data were collected from 65 pre-service teachers enrolled in a high-profile Bachelor of Education program. 18 participants then took part in semi-structured interviews. The results indicate that trainee teachers' beliefs in educational myths and misconceptions may not change over the course of a five-year evidence based teacher preparation program. Further, the qualitative results suggest that beliefs in learning myths might become further entrenched over the course of study as a result of being actively promoted by faculty throughout the program.

Why do we need to know How Learning Happens?

If you don't know why you're doing something, then you have no idea if what you're doing means anything

Key to becoming a true reflective practitioner

What's Learning?



What's Learning?



- Change in long-term memory
- More or less permanent
- Result of cognitive processing of information
- Different from achievement!

A few Giants

- Baddeley & Hitch - Information Processing
- Sweller - Cognitive Load Theory
- Paivio – Dual Coding Theory
- Bjork - Desirable Difficulties
- Rosenshine - Direct Instruction

Information processing

Baddeley, A. & Hitch, G. (1974). Working memory. In G.H. Bower (Ed.), *The psychology of learning and motivation: Advances in research and theory* (Vol. 8, pp. 47–89). New York, NY: Academic Press.

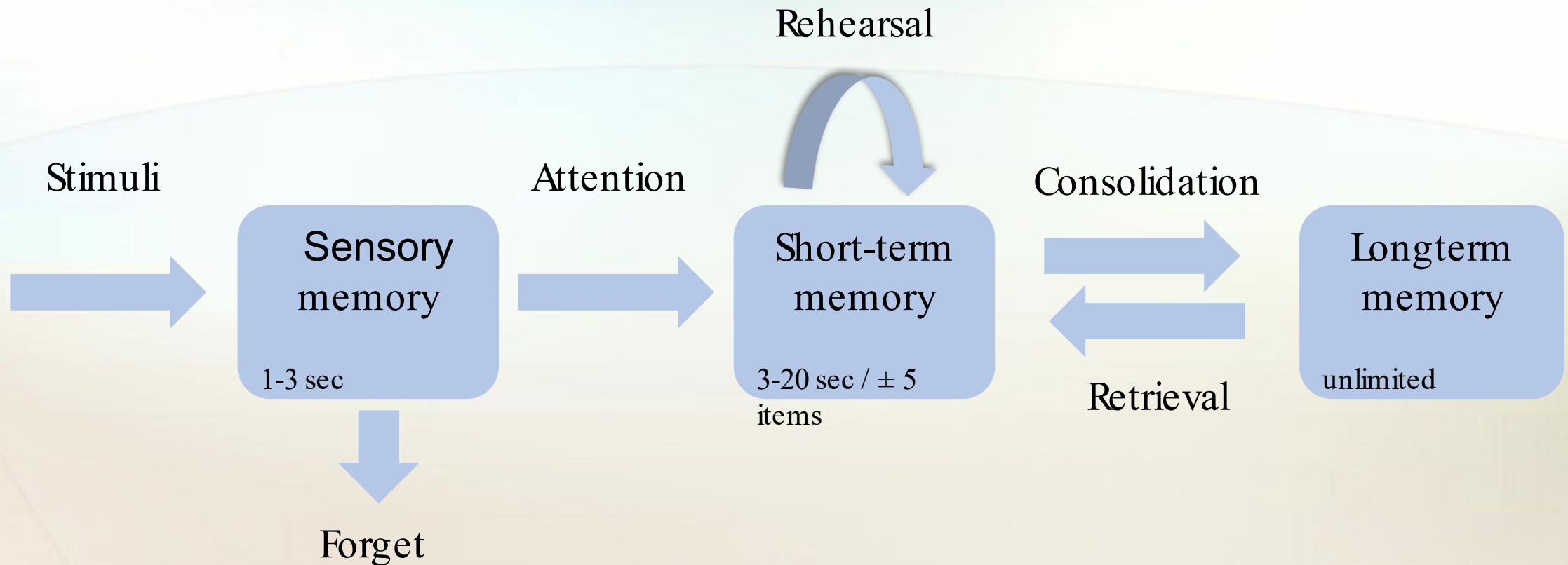
Learning depends on information processing

- No processing = No learning
- Some processing = Some learning
- Much processing = Much learning
- More and more different processing = Better learning & retention

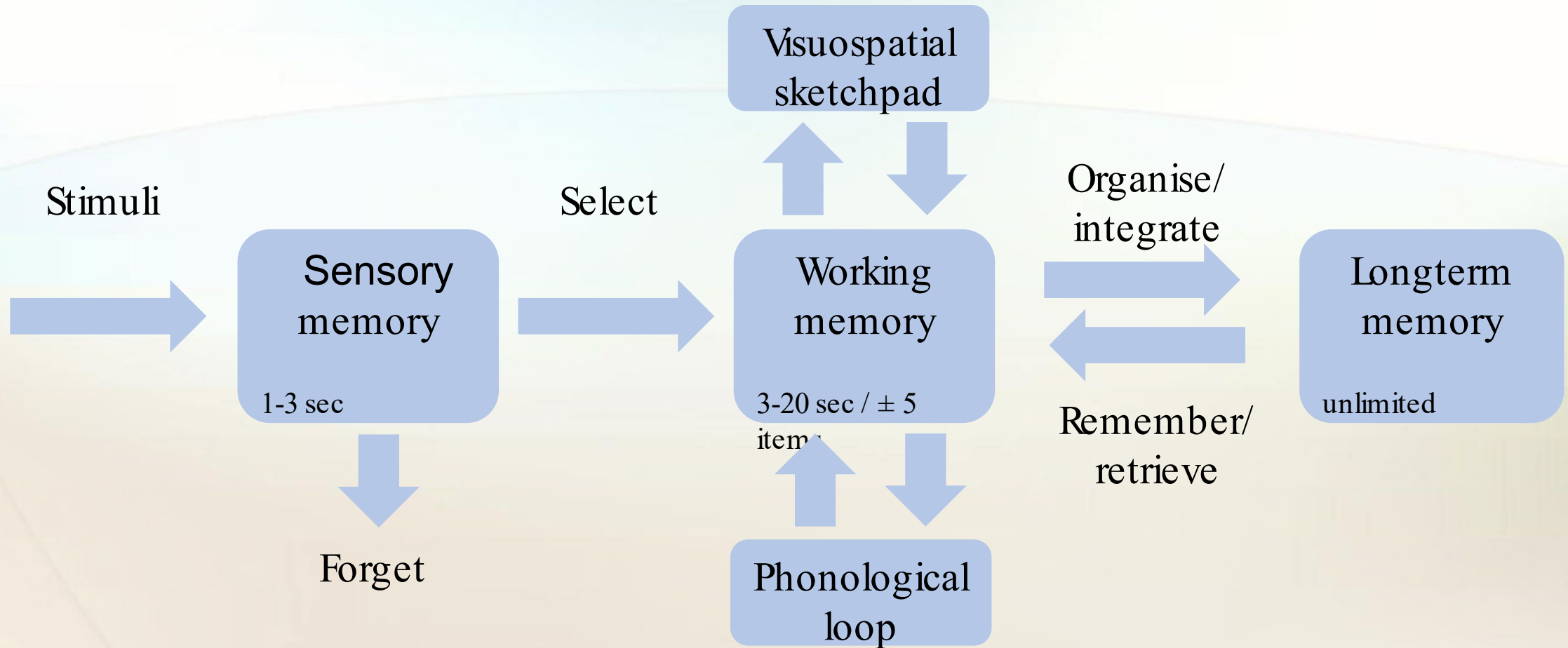
Information processing theory

$$\sum Storage + \sum Retrieval = \sum Learning/Retention$$

Atkinson & Shiffrin (1968) – Multi-store model



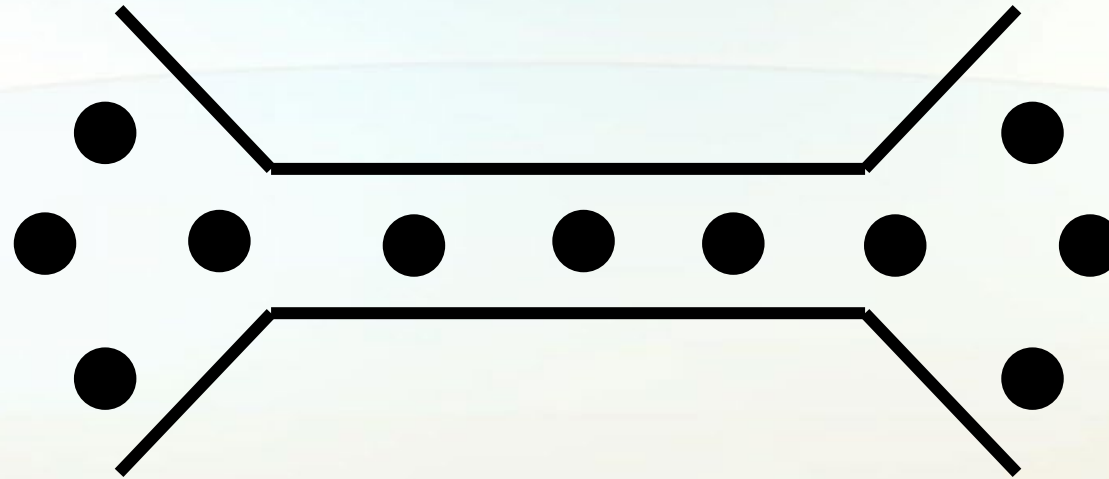
Baddeley & Hitch (1974) – Working memory model



Sensory Bandwidth / Stimuli

Sensory system	Total Bandwidth What comes in (bits/second)	Conscious bandwidth What we process (bits/second)
Eyes see	10,000,000	40
Ears hear	100,000	3
Skin feels	1,000,000	5
Mouth tastes	1,000	1
Nose smells	100,000	1

Working Memory is the Bottleneck



Sensory memory

Working memory
 5 ± 2 new items
2-20 seconds

Long term memory
Unlimited

Thanks Gert Verbruggen and Oliver Lovell

Cognitive Load

Sweller, J. (1988). Cognitive load during problem solving: Effects on learning. *Cognitive Science*, 12, 257-285.

Cognitive Load (John Sweller)

$$\text{Cognitive Load} = \frac{\text{Mental effort required for the task}}{\text{Mental resources available for the task}}$$

Adam Boxer

Mental effort required for a task

Intrinsic effort / load inherent in a task

- Task complexity
 - Number of new information elements to be processed
 - Amount of interaction between the elements

Complexity

Simple (not easy!)

- Learning word pairs in native and foreign language
- No interaction: Word pairs don't interact with each other

Complex (not difficult!)

- Speaking/writing in foreign language
- Lots of interaction: Gender, article, number, conjugation , tense

Cognitive load of a task

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Extraneous effort / load added to the task

- Chosen pedagogy / instructional approach

Goal?

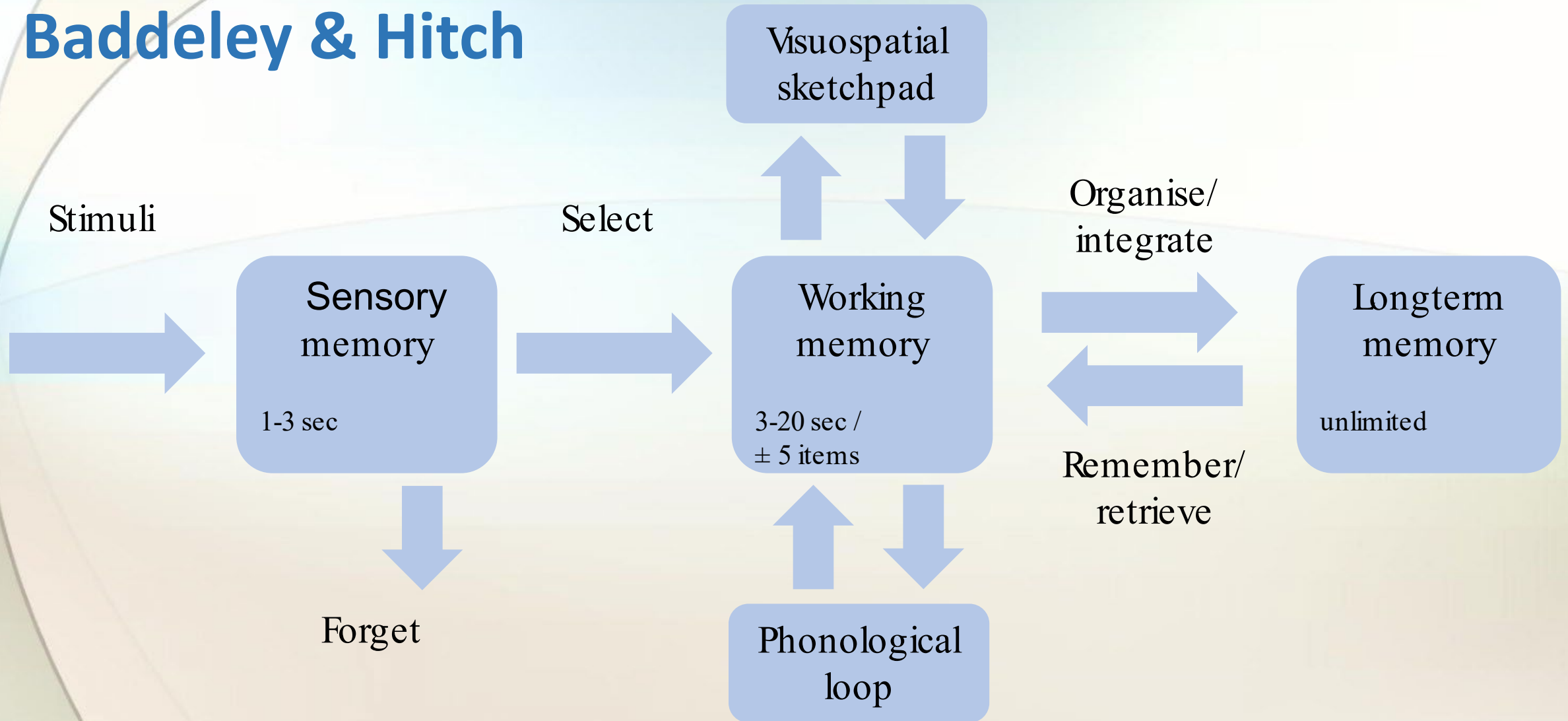
Optimise useful load, minimise irrelevant load

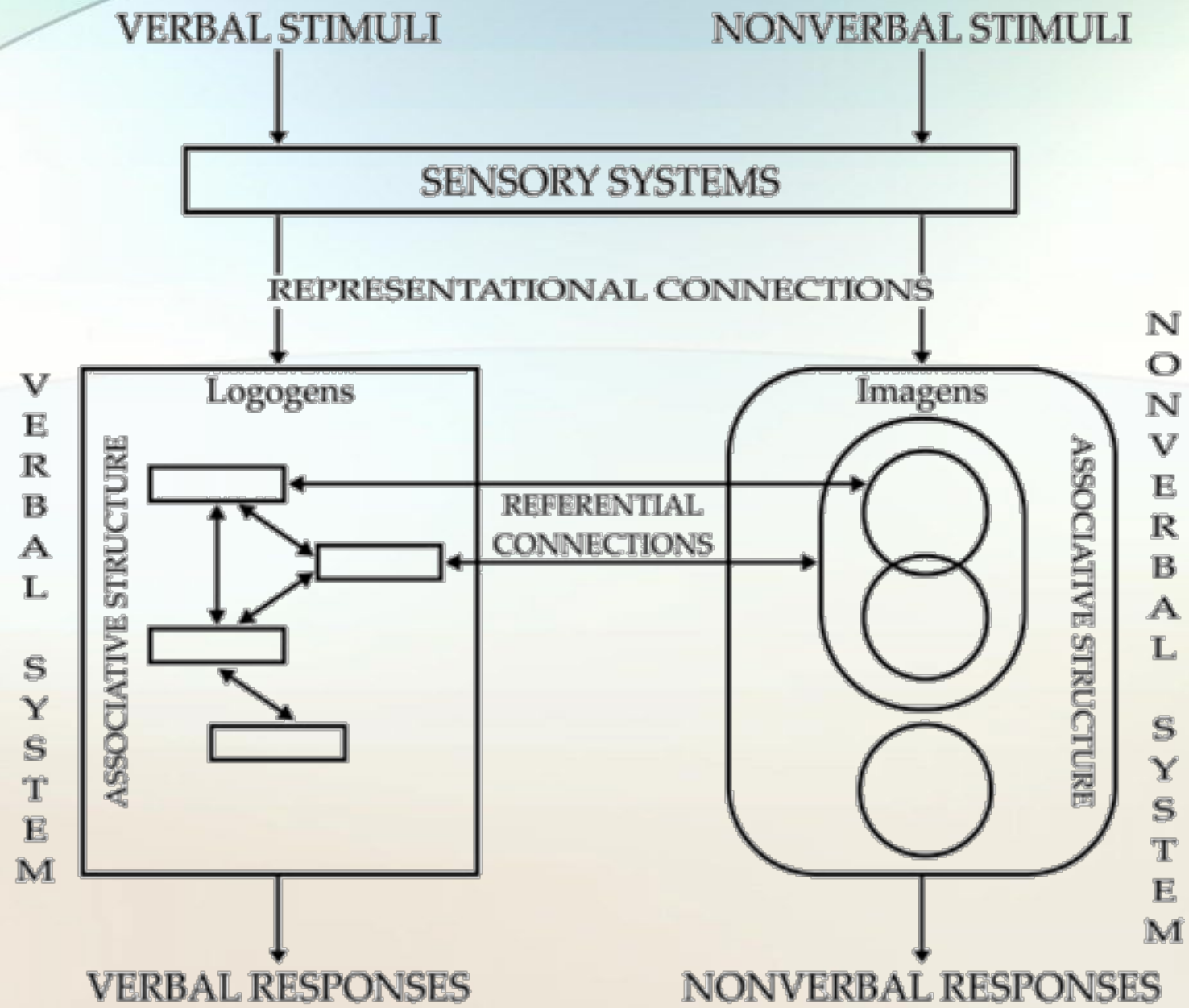
Dual Coding Theory

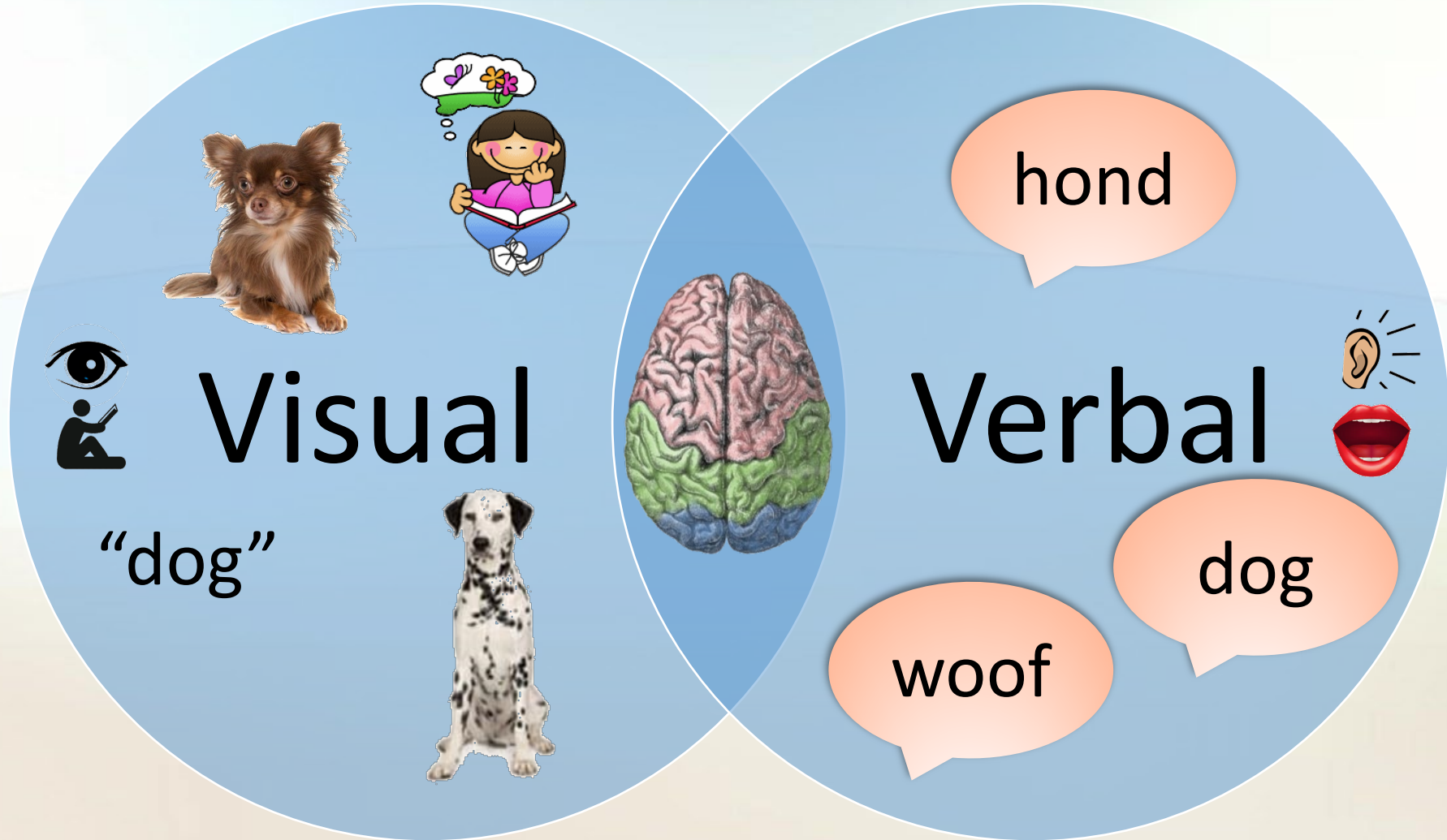
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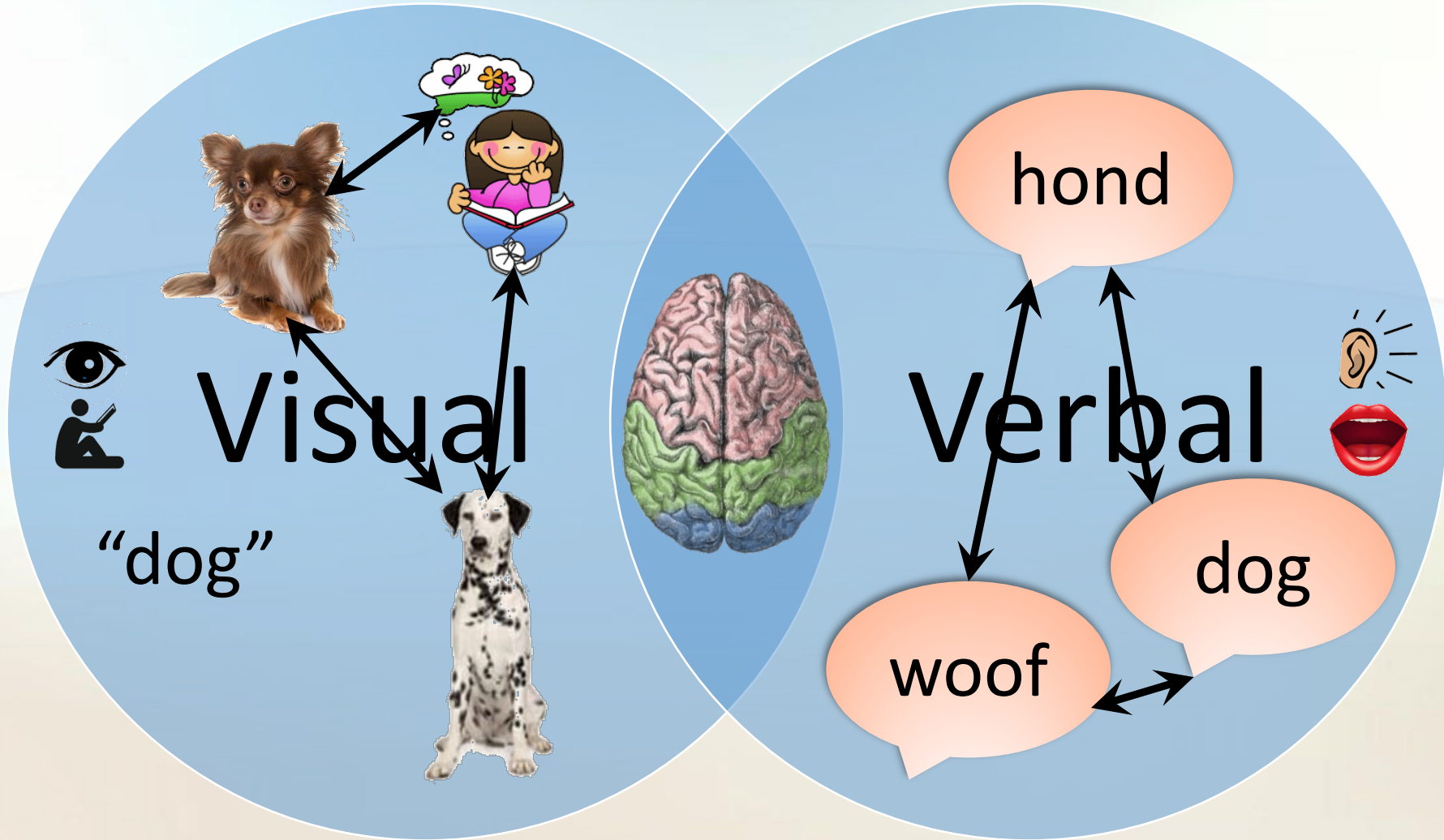


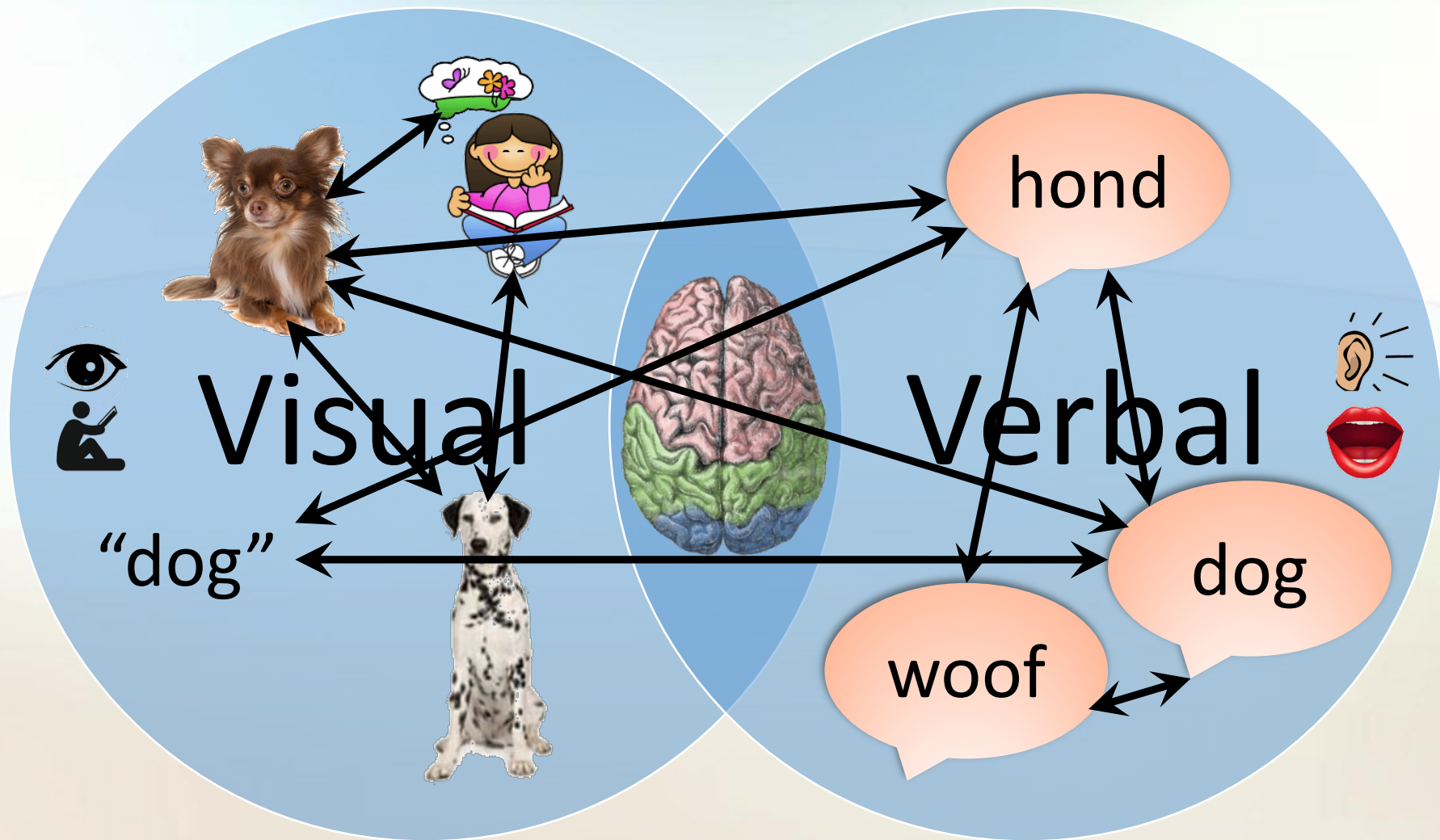
Baddeley & Hitch



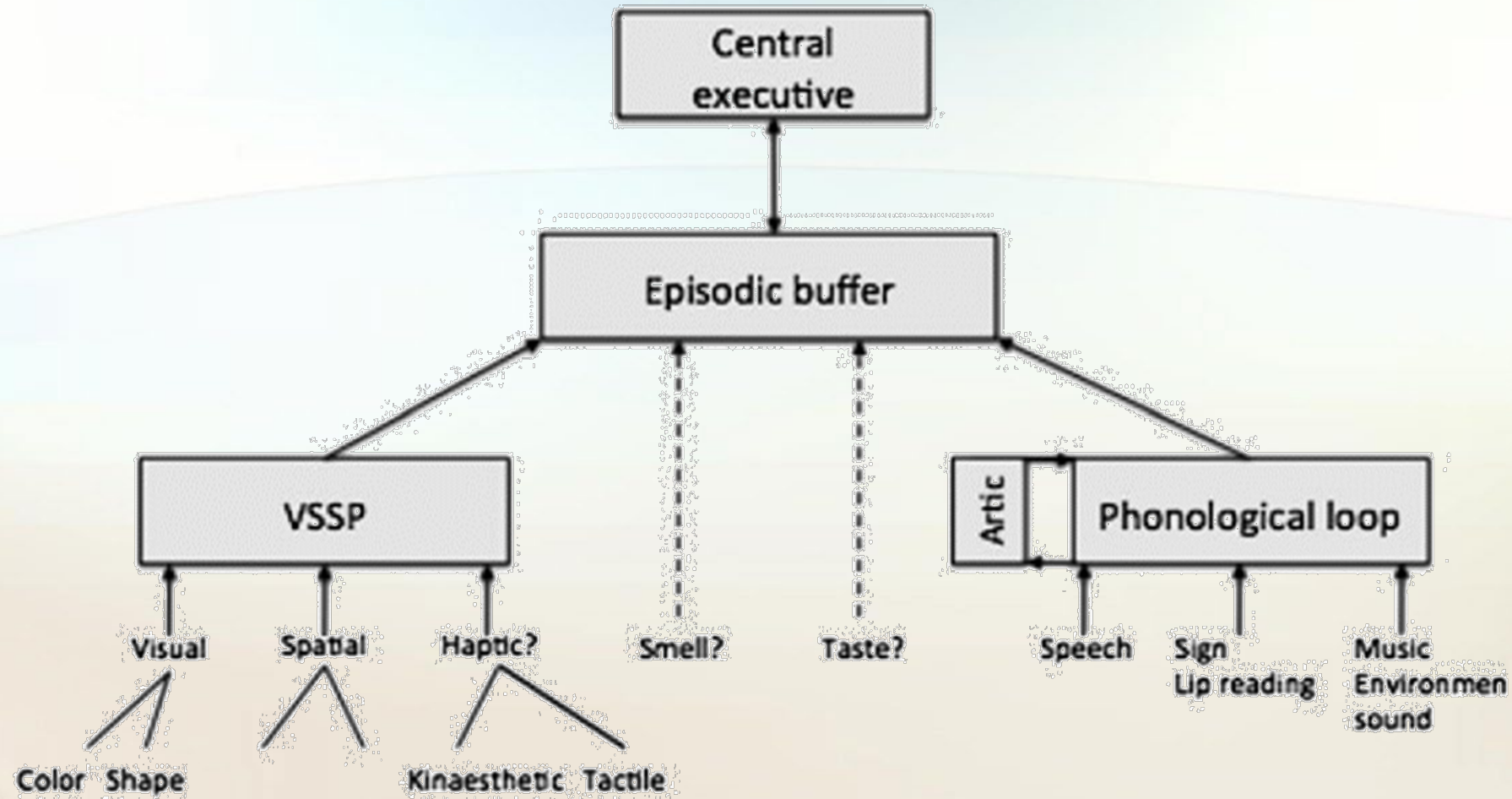








Paivio's Expanded Model



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Desirable Difficulties

- Bjork, R. A. (1994). Memory and metamemory considerations in the training of human beings. In J. Metcalfe and A. Shimamura (Eds.), *Metacognition: Knowing about knowing* (pp.185-205). MIT Press.
- Bjork, R. A. (1994). Institutional impediments to effective training. In D. Druckman and R. A. Bjork (Eds.), *Learning, remembering, believing: enhancing individual and team performance*. (pp.295-306). National Academy Press.

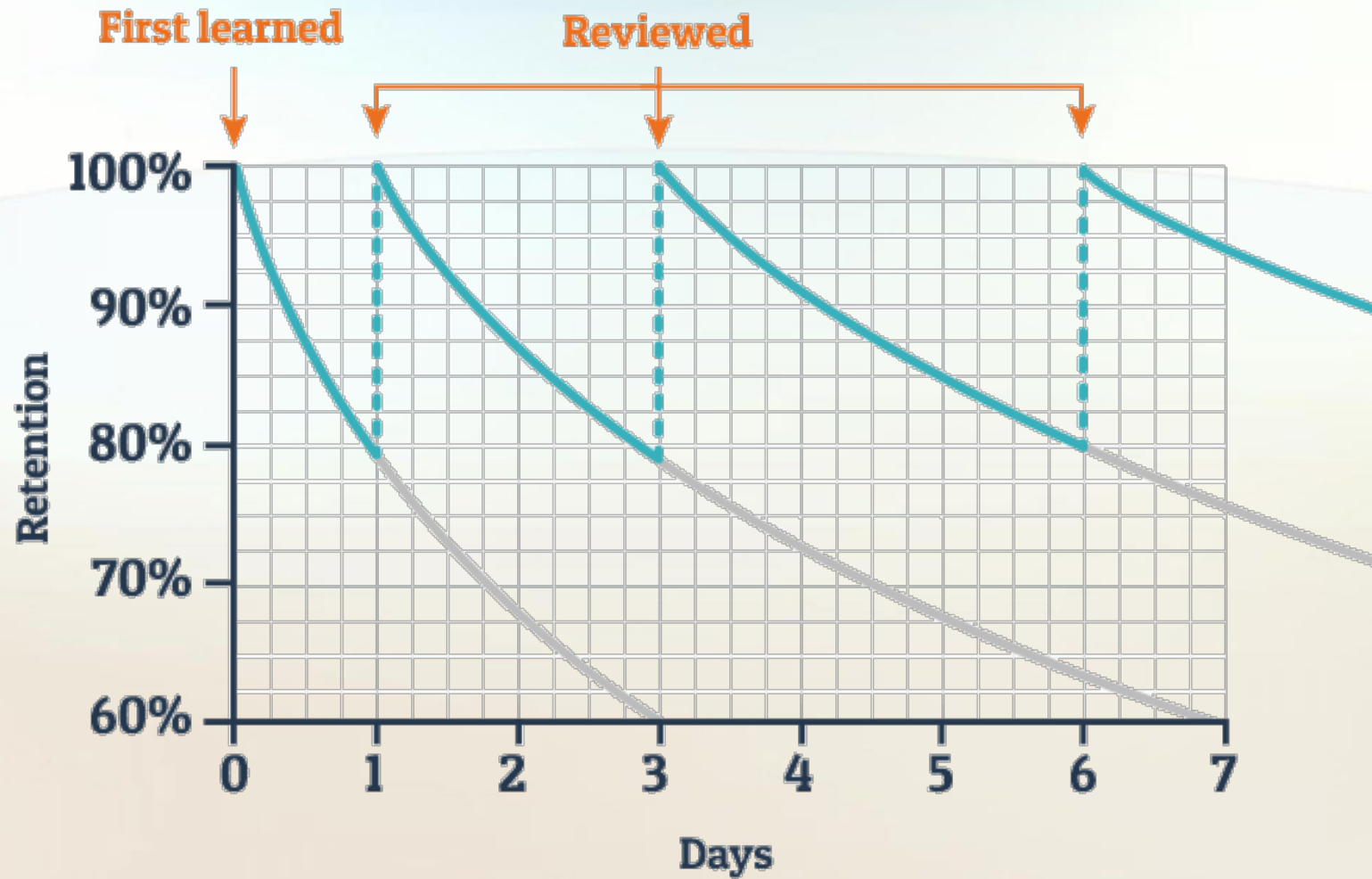
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Learning events, approaches, and strategies that trigger encoding and retrieval processes that support learning, and include things such as varying the conditions of learning, interleaving instruction, spaced practice and testing. ...

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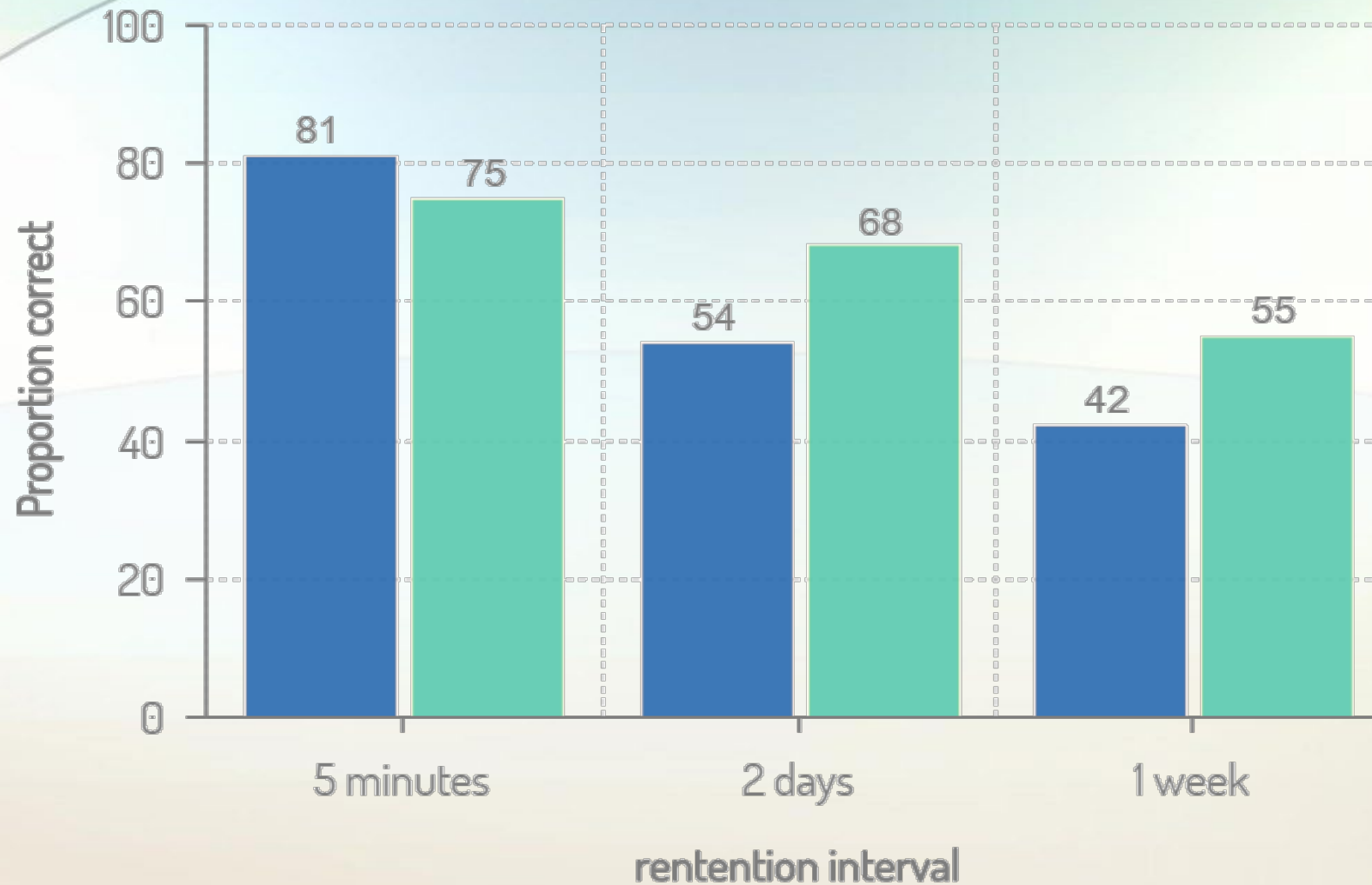
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Typical Forgetting Curve for Newly Learned Information



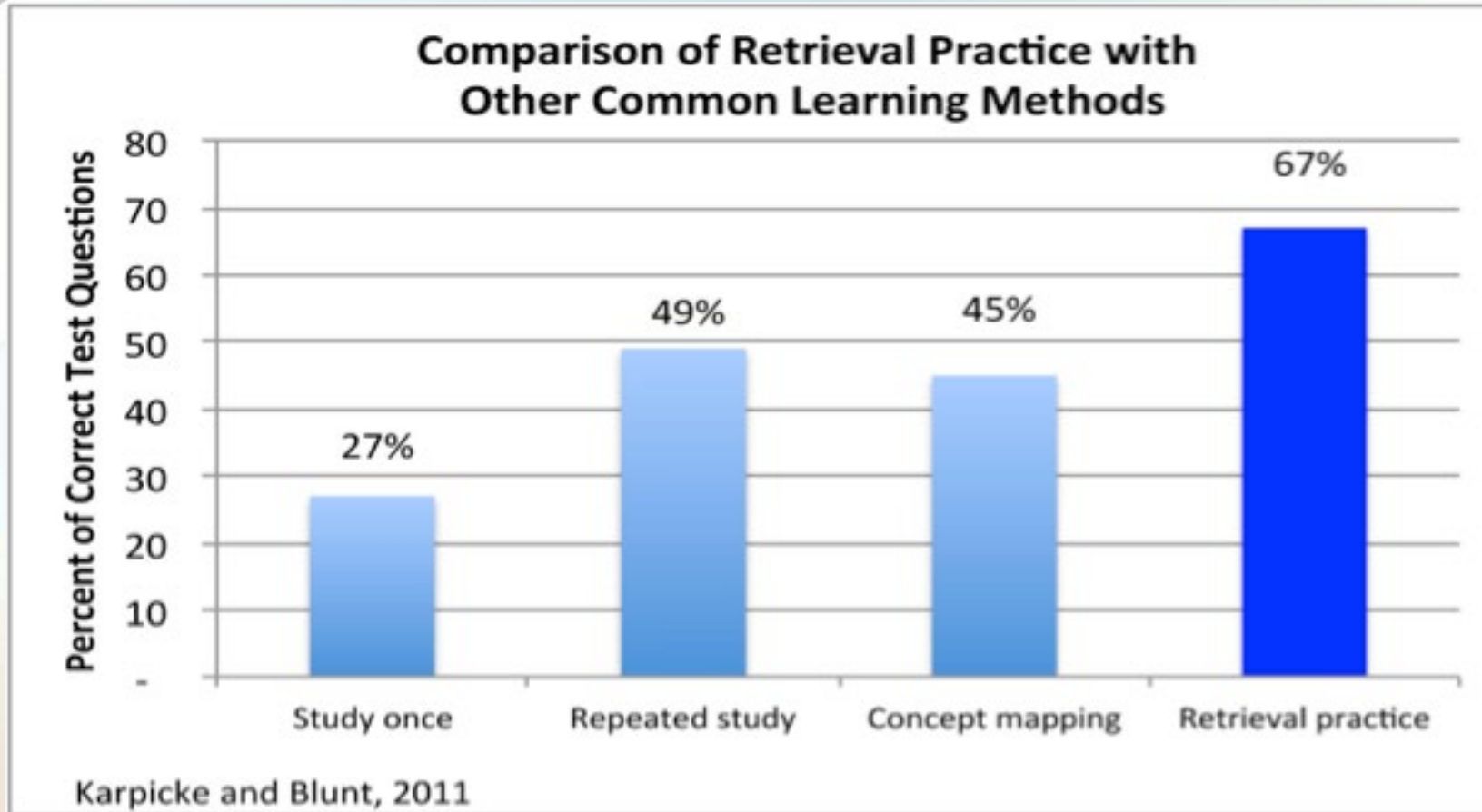
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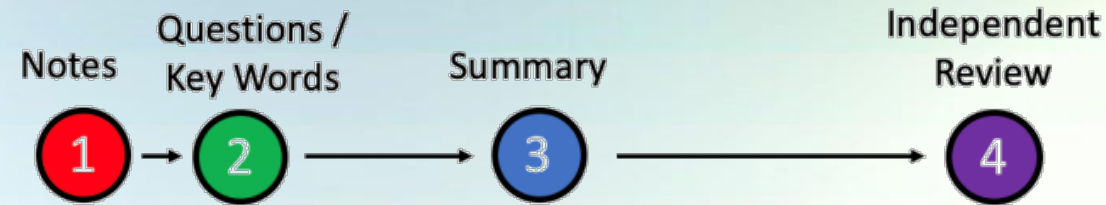


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Retrieve

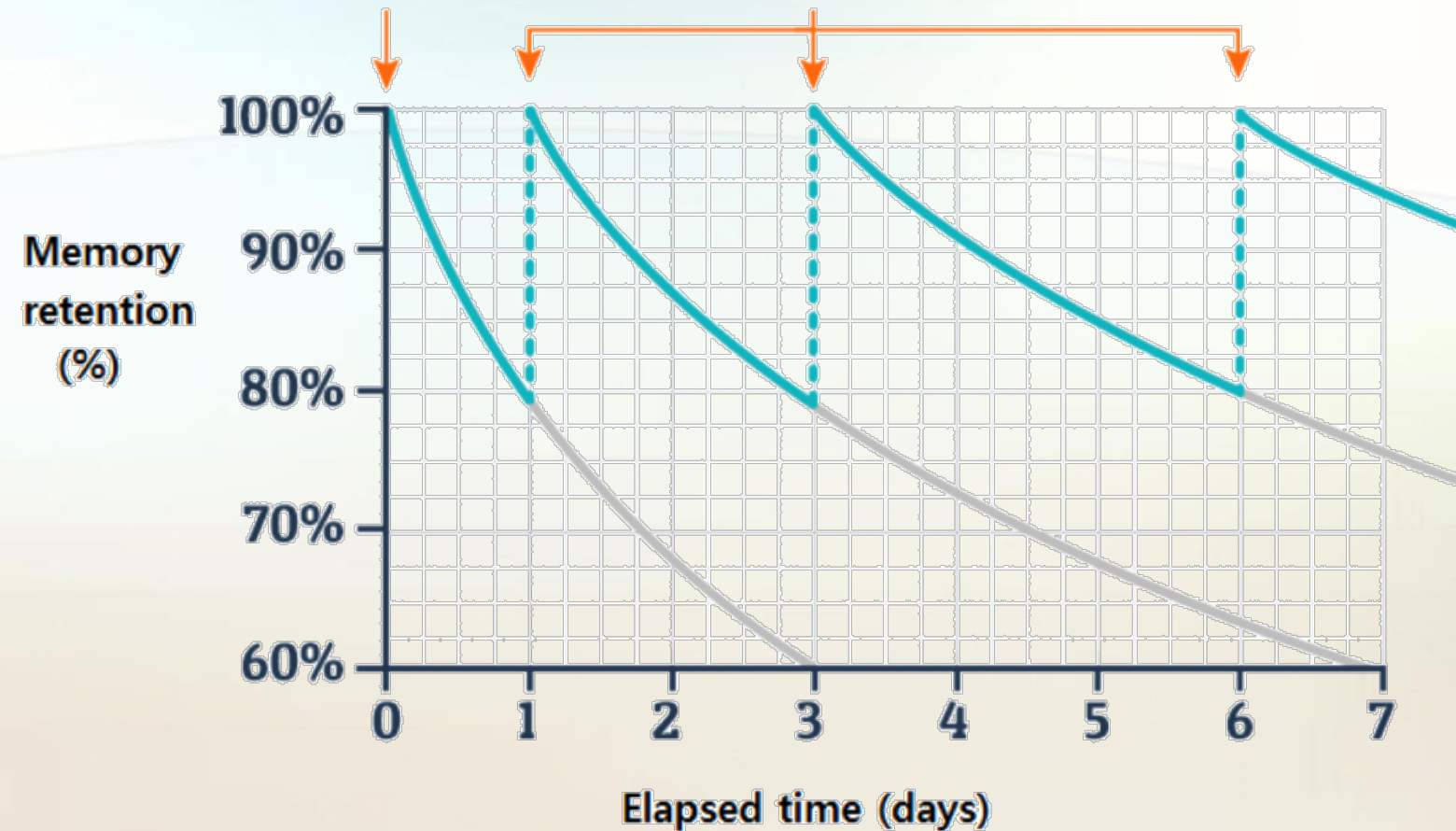


Adapted Cornell
Notes method



First learned

Reviewed



Gethyn Jones - <https://emc2andallthat.wordpress.com/2020/08/26/cornell-versus-ebbinghaus/>

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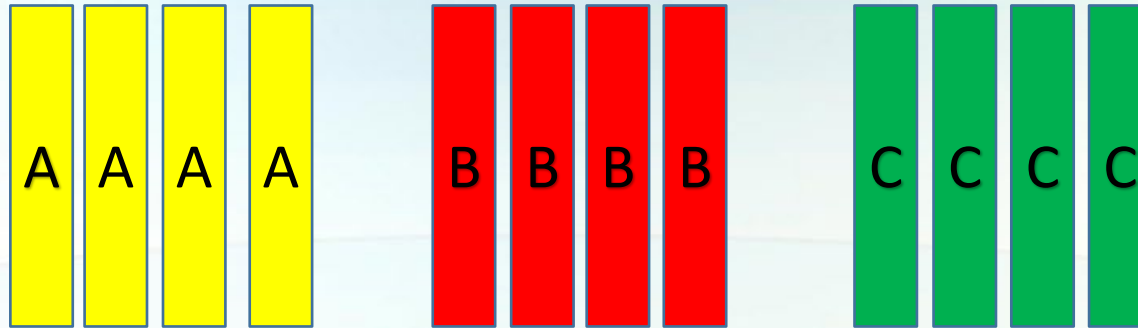
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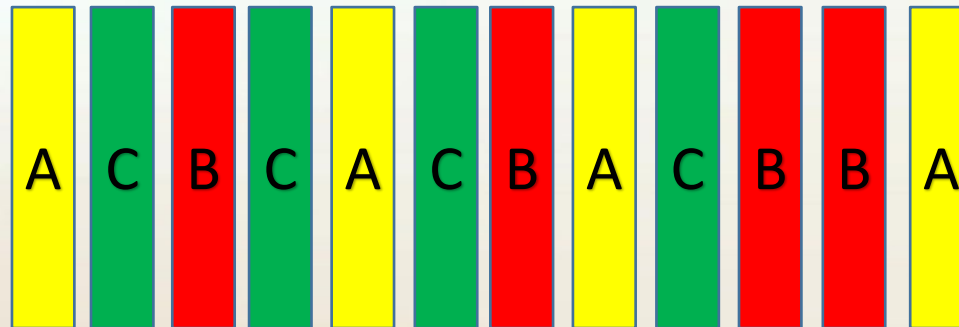
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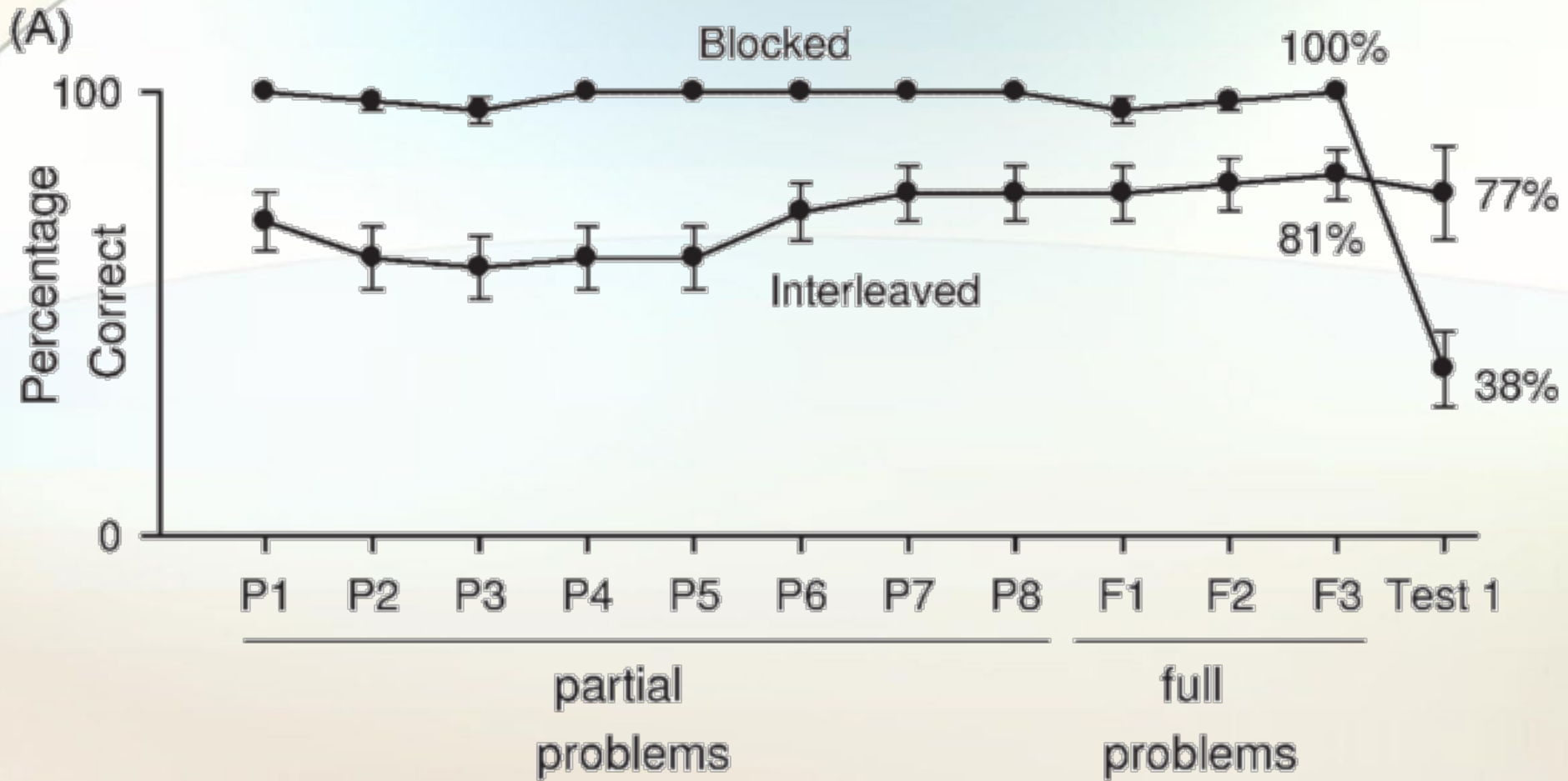
- Spaced Practice – Hermann Ebbinghaus / Doug Rohrer
- Retrieval Practice – Jeffrey Karpicke
- Interleaving / Variability of Practice – Henry Roediger / Jeroen van Merriënboer & Paul A. Kirschner

Massed Practice

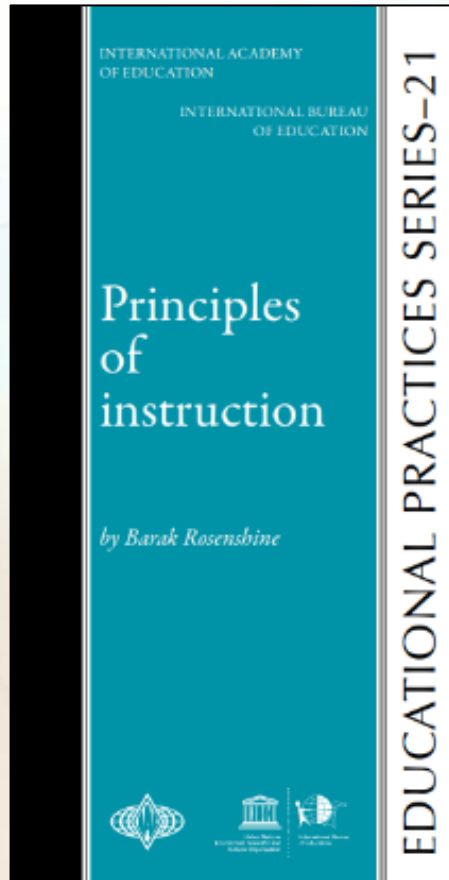


Interleaved Practice





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01 DAILY REVIEW



Daily review is an important component of instruction. It helps strengthen the connections of the material learned. Automatic recall frees working memory for problem solving and creativity.

04 PROVIDE MODELS



Students need cognitive support to help them learn how to solve problems. Modelling, worked examples and teacher thinking out loud help clarify the specific steps involved.

07 OBTAIN HIGH SUCCESS RATE



A success rate of around 80% has been found to be optimal, showing students are learning and also being challenged. Better teachers taught in small steps followed by practice.

02 NEW MATERIAL IN SMALL STEPS



Our working memory is small, only handling a few bits of information at once. Avoid its overload — present new material in small steps and proceed only when first steps are mastered.

05 GUIDE STUDENT PRACTICE



Students need additional time to rephrase, elaborate and summarise new material in order to store it in their long-term memory. More successful teachers built in more time for this.

08 SCAFFOLDS FOR DIFFICULT TASKS



Scaffolds are temporary supports to assist learning. They can include modelling, teacher thinking aloud, cue cards and checklists. Scaffolds are part of cognitive apprenticeship.

10 WEEKLY & MONTHLY REVIEW



The effort involved in recalling recently-learned material embeds it in long-term memory. And the more this happens, the easier it is to connect new material to such prior knowledge.

03 ASK QUESTIONS



The most successful teachers spend more than half the class time teaching, demonstrating and asking questions. Questions allow the teacher to determine how well the material is learned.

06 CHECK STUDENT UNDERSTANDING



Less successful teachers merely ask "Are there any questions?" No questions are taken to mean no problems. False. By contrast, more successful teachers check on all students.

09 INDEPENDENT PRACTICE



Independent practice produces 'overlearning' — a necessary process for new material to be recalled automatically. This ensures no overloading of students' working memory.

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Bad

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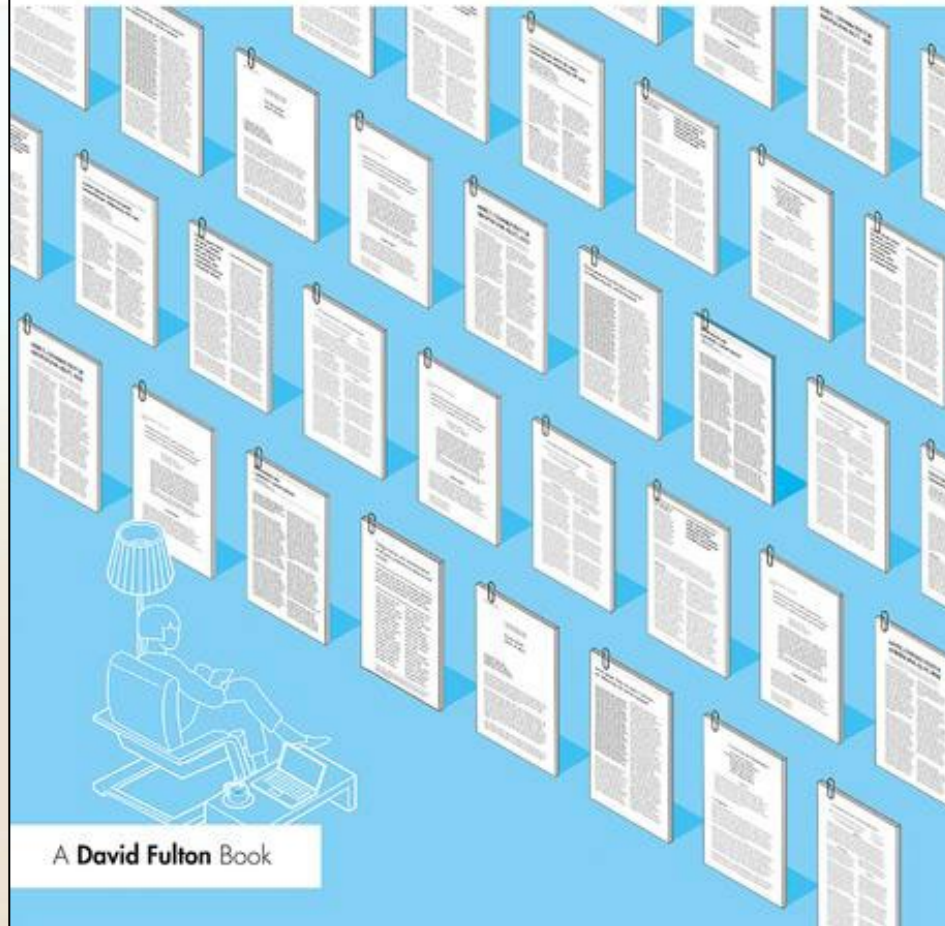
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TEN TIPS FOR EMERGENCY REMOTE TEACHING

May 4, 2020

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On Friday May 1, Paul gave a webinar / presentation for researchEDHome. In contrast with most other webinars he chose to keep the presentation short (it was less than 20 minutes which is an accomplishment for Paul :) and devote more than 40 minutes to a Q&A with the participants. The theme of the webinar was *Ten Tips for Emergency Remote Teaching*. Note that he doesn't

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