# the education hub

# **Memory**

# Memory is person's ability to retain information over time

# Working memory

This is where all information is processed.
Working memory has limited capacity, storing small amounts of information for a very short time.



# Long-term memory

This is where large amounts of information are stored semi-permanently. Transferring knowledge into long-term memory is critical for enabling students to engage in higher order learning tasks such as critical thinking and problem-solving.



# **Emotions**

### WHAT

How we feel influences our ability to learn and retain information

#### HOW

Create a warm, supportive classroom environment





# **Retrieval practice**

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We need to practice retrieving and using new content

Provide regular opportunities for recall and reuse



# **Spaced practice**

#### WHAI

Spread retrieval and practice over time

#### HOW

Repeat the same material on different days and in different forms

# **Dual coding**



Representing information visually can support memorisation

#### HOW

Use graphic organisers, infographics, and diagrams



# **Existing knowledge**

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A new concept is always learned in association with already existing knowledge

#### HOW

Ensure ideas build sequentially across lessons and students have requisite background knowledge

## Information overload

We can only process a limited amount of new information at once

#### HOW

Break new information into small digestible chunks and explicitly teach new concepts

