

High quality teaching

The first step to supporting all pupils to succeed is ensuring they have access to high quality teaching. This is sometimes known as Quality First Teaching. High quality teaching is beneficial for all pupils, not just those who may have additional learning needs.



What is high quality teaching?

Take this [short quiz](#) to see if you can identify elements of high quality teaching.

Remember, you aren't formally graded for your submissions, the knowledge checks are here for you to understand what you have learned within this session.

You may recognise the strategies in the quiz as they have been covered earlier in the programme. The strategies listed are just some of the areas that would be considered high quality teaching - there are many more. The first step in supporting all pupils to achieve success is to develop your teaching practice so that you consistently deliver high quality teaching. As the English SEND Code of Practice states:

High quality teaching, differentiated for individual pupils, is the starting point in responding to pupils who have or may have SEN. Additional intervention and SEN support cannot compensate for a lack of good quality teaching.

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An important part of high quality teaching is seeking to understand your pupils' differences, including different levels of prior knowledge and barriers to learning, and then being responsive to those needs. This can be done through adaptive teaching.

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