2-2: Employing The Four-step Method Of Instruction As It Relates To Psychomotor Training

Four-step Method of Instruction

- Preparation
- Presentation
- Application
- Evaluation

Step 1: Preparation

- Consists of two parts
 - Preparing the instructor
 - Preparing the student

Step 1: Preparation

- Preparing the instructor
 - Evaluate the audience
 - Research skill or topic and gather references learning material
 - Create or review a lesson plan
 - Create a safe and comforting learning environment

Step 1: Preparation

- Preparing the students to learnEstablish an ACID BASE
- Attention Begin
- Curiosity
- Interest
- Desire

- Associating
- Students and
- Experiences with lesson content

Instructor's Role

- Introduce the skill or topic
- Gain the students' attention
- State the learning objectives
- Inspire students by stating the reason the information is important
- Prepare students to listen for key points

Instructor's Role

- Generate curiosity
- Create attention
- Generate desire
- Create interest
- Create continuity

Step 2: Presentation

- Purpose
 - New information and skills are presented and demonstrated
- Techniques for presentation
 - Use an orderly, sequential outline
 - Can combine with application step
 - Present concepts and procedures
 - Demonstrate psychomotor skill
 - Promote student motivation

Step 2: Presentation

- Tested methods
 - Select appropriate presentation style
 - Present skills demonstrations
 - Use appropriate training aids and props
 - Explain operations
 - Emphasize key points
 - Explain concepts, philosophies, principles, and their implications

Step 2: Presentation

- Tested presentation methods
 - Proceed from known to the unknown, simple to the complex
 - Use textbooks and other reference materials
 - Apply active learning principles
 - Summarize key points and concepts
 - Require students to take notes or answer oral questions

Step 3: Application

- Purpose
 - Students apply learned skills to practical situations
 - Help reinforce student learning

Step 3: Application

- Most student learning takes place here
- Students demonstrate psychomotor skill
- Actively involves the students in the learning process
- Provides the opportunity to practice and master critical skills in a nonemergency learning environment

Step 3: Application

- Methods
 - Have students perform the task or activity under supervision
 - Observe performance closely
 - Check and correct errors
 - Instill correct habits in students
 - Check key points and safety points
 - Develop interactive discussions

Step 4: Evaluation

- Purpose
 - To evaluate the learning process
 - To evaluate student learning
 - To evaluate teaching effectiveness

Step 4: Evaluation

- Methods
 - Have students perform tasks unassisted
 - Conduct performance testing
 - Ask prepared questions
 - Have students demonstrate and explain tasks
 - Have students observe and critique other students performances

Step 4: Evaluation

- Methods
 - Conduct final examinations
 - Evaluate student notebooks, projects, assignments and activities
 - Have students complete course and instructor evaluation forms
 - Have instructors complete course evaluation forms



Without the evaluation step, the instructor cannot determine if learning has taken place

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