

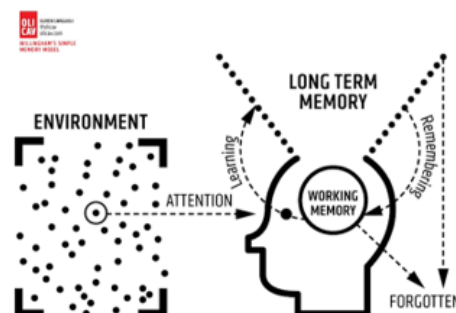
## Assessing Science, Geography and History using questioning.

In each core subject, teachers will use a range of questioning techniques to assess children's learning for each area of the curriculum. Key concepts are broken down in to smaller chunks to prevent over loading the working memory. Repeatedly recalling and revisiting content is proven to be more effective in order to transfer learning to the long term memory. Children should be able to make connections with prior learning.

Each half term teachers assess the subject using pre made curriculum and skill based statements as a guide to determine if each child is working at the expected standard or not. This assessment is then used to continue to move the children forward and enable the teacher to give constructive feedback.

All questions and assessment need to have a clear focus. If assessments show a lack of knowledge or understanding, re-teaching may be appropriate.

Teacher need to be confident in their knowledge of what has previously been taught- the progression document and learning journey documents will guide them with this.



### **Formative Assessment Techniques:**

#### **At the beginning of a topic:**

KWL (with key questions as prompts) grid which links back to children's prior learning (School proforma)

#### **Daily:**

Retrieval- multiple choice, quiz, odd one out, blooms questioning to expand thinking, Recap of last lesson, last week, last term, last year (Could be starter)

Hinge-point questions to assess children understanding, used alongside immediate feedback to support and scaffold.

Big questions (explorify) to assess if children are able to make connections, dive deeper in to understanding and apply learning to other concepts. Thunks questions. Question generator. Silent debate.(Could be plenary)

#### **At the end of a topic:**

Task to show learning over the topic e.g. debate, big question which can be presented anyway children choose, science enquiry, location key questions grid, map task, mind map of questions for children to answer...

Children fill in the Learn section on KWL grid using key questions.

#### **Every half term:**

Big quiz of the term... a selection of questions from the year, last year, term etc. Fun kahoot style last day of term.