# Lesson Plan Checklist for The Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol (SIOP)

## Preparation

- *Write* content <u>objectives</u> clearly for students.
- *Write* <u>language</u> <u>objectives</u> clearly for students.
- ——— Choose <u>content concepts appropriate</u> for <u>age</u> and educational background level of students.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Identify <u>supplementary materials</u> to use (graphs, models, visuals).
- <u>Adapt content (e.g., text, assignment) to all levels of student proficiency.</u>
- Plan <u>meaningful</u> activities that integrate lesson concepts (e.g., surveys, letter writing, simulations) with language practice opportunities for the four skills.

### **Building Background**

- Explicitly link concepts to students' backgrounds and experiences.
- Explicitly link past learning! and new concepts .
- <u>Emphasize key vocabulary (e.g., introduce, write, repeat, and highlight) for students</u>

#### Comprehensible Input

- Use <u>speech</u> appropriate for students' proficiency level (e.g., slower rate, enunciation, simple sentence structure for beginners).
- <u>Explain academic tasks clearly.</u>
  - Use a <u>variety of techniques</u> to make content concepts clear (e.g., modeling, visuals, hands-on activities, demonstrations, gestures, body language).

#### Strategies

- Provide ample opportunities for students to use <u>strategies (e.g., problem solving, predicting,</u> organizing, summarizing, categorizing, evaluating, self-monitoring).
- Use <u>scaffolding techniques</u> consistently (providing the right amount of support to move students from one level of understanding to a higher level) throughout lesson.
- Use a variety of <u>question types including those that promote higher-order thinking skills</u> throughout the lesson (e.g., literal, analytical, and interpretive questions).

#### Interaction

- Provide frequent opp<u>ortunities for interactions and discussion between teacher/student and</u> among students, and encourage elaborated responses.
- Use group configurations that support language and content objectives of the lesson. Provide sufficient wait time for student response consistently.
- Give ample opportunities for students to clarify key concepts in LI as needed with aide, peer, or LI text.

## **Practice/Application**

- Provide <u>hands-on</u> materials and/or manipulatives for students to practice using new content
  knowledge.
- Provide activities for students to <u>apply content and language knowledge</u> in the classroom.
- Provide activities that integrate all language skills (i.e., reading, writing, listening, speaking).

## Lesson Delivery

- <u>Support content objectives clearly.</u>
- <u>Support language objectives clearly.</u>
- <u>Engage students approximately 90-100% of the time (most students taking part/on task). Pace</u> the lesson appropriately to the students' ability level.

## **Review/Assessment**

- Give a comprehensive review of key vocabulary
- Give a comprehensive review of key content concepts.
- Provide feedback to students regularly on their output (e.g., language, content, work). Conduct
  <u>assessments</u> of student comprehension and leaning throughout lesson on all lesson objectives (e.g., spot checking, group response).

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