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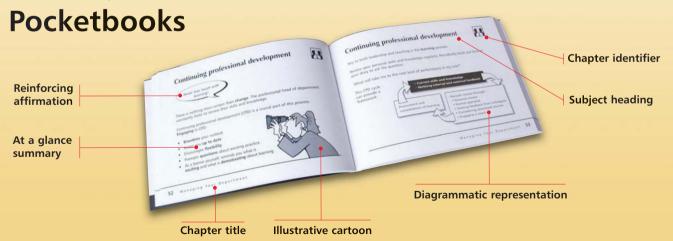
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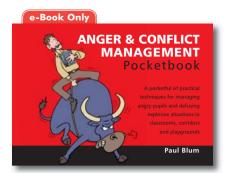
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# Focus on **Fundamentals**

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· Paul Blum Author

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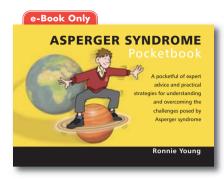
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Price : **£9.99** (e-Book only)

Explosive, uncontrolled anger is both frightening and damaging. Whether it's verbal abuse, physical intimidation, violence, aggression, or a combination of these, trying to manage very angry pupils is tough. It's energy-sapping and can leave us feeling frustrated, powerless and, sometimes, inept and weak.

This Pocketbook is highly practical in demonstrating how to cope when tempers fly in the classroom, the corridor, the playground or, indeed, the staffroom, Find out about the anger cycle; how to recognise early warning signs and intervene to prevent an eruption; how to handle angry explosions/conflict situations; how to repair relationships following an outburst; how to teach children to manage difficult emotions and how to maintain your sanity.

Paul Blum pulls no punches, taking us into fighting, steaming and 'happy slap' territory. However, you're in the hands of an expert who really does give you a survival toolkit.



: Ronnie Young Author ISBN : 978 1 903776 99 5

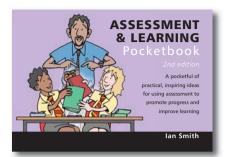
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For some youngsters the world is a strange and unfathomable place where people don't say what they mean or mean what they say; where the rules change depending on who you are with: and where you are never allowed just to be yourself. Welcome to Planet Asperger, located in a parallel universe where everything seems the same as earth, but nothing actually is.

Author and international trainer Ronnie Young explains what Asperger syndrome is and offers a range of helpful strategies for overcoming the challenges it poses in the classroom. The book covers social impairment, obsessive interests: repetition and change; verbal and non-verbal communication; anger; sensory problems; study skills and exams: and considers whole school implications.

Once you understand how the Asperger mind works, it's not so difficult to adapt to accommodate it



· Ian Smith\* Author

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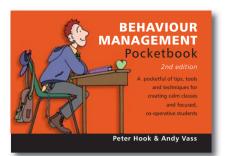
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Good assessment focuses mainly on improvement and is used to support progress. It helps learners to know how well they have learned and provides feedback on how they can do better: it encourages learners to support and help each other: it builds self-motivation, self-confidence and self-reliance. Sound familiar? These are the principles of formative assessment that form the core of the Assessment & Learning Pocketbook.

The book explains the difference between formative and summative assessment then walks you through writing and sharing learning intentions and success criteria; promoting high quality interaction in lessons; verbal and written feedback; self- and peer-assessment. Classroom strategies and inspiring ideas galore.

\*Advice on revisions and amendments courtesy of Professor Dylan Wiliam.

We suggest that you buy the book in bulk - qualify for a discount - and give copies to all the Ofsted inspectors you come into contact with... Leadership in Focus



Authors: Peter Hook & Andy Vass : 978 1 906610 43 2

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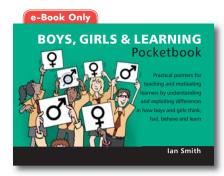
It's every new teacher's first concern and it's the issue about which even the most experienced teachers are never complacent - how to control their classes

What makes some teachers so much more effective than others? How do they manage their classes? Indeed, how do they manage themselves?

From getting the basics right, through the four Rs - rights, responsibilities, rules and routines and on to core principles and key strategies. Peter Hook and Andy Vass, two of the country's leading experts in behaviour management, unravel the complexities of teacher-students relationships. They offer a wide repertoire of techniques with practical illustrative examples.

Instead of asking, "Yes, but how?" you'll find yourself nodding wisely, "So that's how."





· Ian Smith Author

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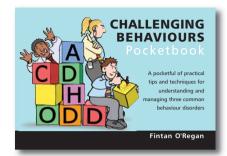
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Although there are more similarities than differences between girls and boys, there are innate differences in how they think, feel, behave, communicate and learn. However, not all boys and not all girls are the same. The challenge for education is to avoid gender stereotyping, while understanding and exploiting gender differences for better teaching and learning.

Ian Smith shows how we can help boys and girls to become successful learners who will mature into confident adults, comfortable with their own femininity and masculinity and able to relate effectively to others. He gives practical classroom advice on how to motivate and connect with both boys and girls, how to meet their needs through a combination of challenge and support; how to create a structured environment that will work for both genders; how to actively involve both in their own learning and how to give boys and girls effective feedback

And finally, should boys and girls be taught separately or together?



: Fintan O'Regan Author ISBN : 978 1 903776 73 5

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All children are challenging to some extent, but some are more challenging than others. Students with social, emotional and behavioural difficulties (SEBD) can be tough to support and teach. This pocketbook helps you to do just that. It focuses on three particular behaviour disorders:

- ADHD Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
- CD - Conduct Disorder
- ODD Oppositional Defiant Disorder

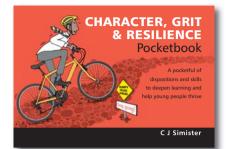
Fintan O'Regan explains why some children are prone to developing a can't learn, won't learn or don't care attitude. He devotes individual chapters to each behaviour pattern and uses Vicki, Liam and Darren to illustrate typical characteristics. Practical classroom strategies include lesson scenarios, with example dialogues showing how different teacher responses can lead to different outcomes. Whether you're

This 'little' book is like

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looking for explanations, tips, ideas, or techniques (or maybe just reassurance and support) this book fits the bill.



Author · C I Simister

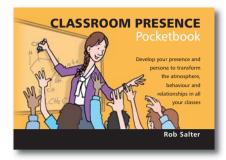
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The OED has character as 'the mental and moral qualities distinctive to an individual'. Some of these qualities we're born with but neuroscience confirms that character is also something we can grow. By teaching children how to collaborate. adapt, be curious and creative; to show initiative, persistence, flexibility and good judgement, etc, we are equipping them to learn and be successful in life. We are also increasing their chances of social, emotional and physical wellbeing.

In this book C I Simister focuses on intellectual character - how to develop the dispositions and skills that deepen learning and help young people thrive. It might seem a daunting task, but the author takes a pragmatic approach, informed by considerable expertise and success in the field. Not for nothing was she once awarded the NAGC's Inspiring Person of the Year Award.



· Rob Salter Author

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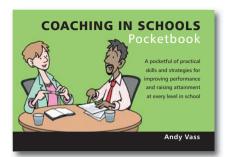
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We all know teachers who exude an air of authority the minute they walk into a room. Like magic, they command attention without a word being spoken. When they speak and interact they are engaging and compelling. Their classes are calm and focused, teacher and students work well together and behaviour is rarely a problem. How do they do it?

Classroom presence is the effect created by your teacher persona. Drawing on material from the worlds of acting and improvisation, sports psychology and NLP, this book demonstrates how to develop your persona and radiate presence. Learn about 'status techniques' and how to tap into a shared energy with your audience; master the triad of skills that create presence; work with your 'cultural architects', and see your classroom as a stage where voice, breathing, spatial awareness and costume all play a part.

It's not magic, but with a few tricks up your sleeve you can transform the atmosphere relationships and behaviour in your classes in just a short spell!



Authors : Andv Vass

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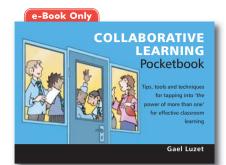
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Author Andy Vass's definition of coaching emphasises the process of learning. It's about helping people to uncover their own solutions rather than giving them advice, telling them what to do or solving problems for them.

He shows how solution-focused tools like 'exceptions' and 'scaling' enable high quality, thoughtful dialogues and how becoming skilful at asking questions, listening and providing feedback can develop both coach and coachee. Andy shares his RIGAAR model for framing coaching conversations that can lead to exciting and positive change, as described by teachers and students in a series of inspiring case studies.

I have engaged Andy to work with all our staff in three schools in three different nations. His outstanding reflective approach is the best support I have ever found for great professionals seeking to be even better at serving young people. D. Rowsell, Principal.

\*Coaching in Schools updates and replaces the Coaching & Reflecting Pocketbook.



Authors · Gael Luzet

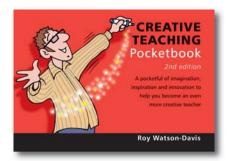
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'I really like it when we can talk in class,' says Kelly in Year 8, grinning from ear to ear when I suggest a group activity on a grey Monday morning. Although I suspect that she might like it for the wrong reasons. I know that there is a lot for her and the other 29 students in the class - to learn in a structured, co-operative learning context.

Gael Luzet's Pocketbook about small group work focuses on how 'the power of more than one' can transform learning. Like all good teaching and learning strategies, successful collaborative learning relies on meticulous planning and careful delivery, both of which are discussed here. Ideas for basic collaborative activities are included as well as practical examples of how to use, assess and evaluate various high impact strategies in lessons. You begin to see what lies behind Vygotsky's words: 'The one who does the talking does the learning'.

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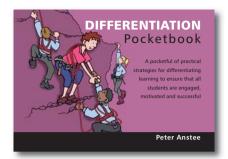
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All teachers look to deliver inspiring, innovative and imaginative lessons. What better way to engage students and help them learn more effectively?

Roy Watson-Davis draws on a deep well of creativity to share numerous suggestions for original, inventive approaches to lessons. As well as creative starters, 'kernels' and closers, sections of the book are devoted to questioning technique. active learning, technology, revision and teamwork.

Roy aims to stimulate and support creative practice by challenging you to move out of your comfort zones: try pegging maths equations across your room washing-line-style, or adopting 'the fruit bowl approach', or how about delivering a lesson in costume? Take the plunge, recharge your batteries and watch your pupils' enthusiasm increase.

A pocket-sized compendium of good ideas, lively practice and fun-packed innovation. An inspiring and funny read, a real gem.



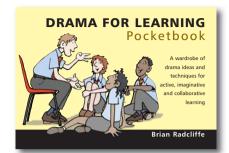
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Education has come a long way since the days when pupils sat silently in rows memorising knowledge imparted by the teacher. Learning was passive, and only gender and social class affected provision. In today's schools learning is at the centre of what we do, and differentiation – the process of modifying a lesson or part of a lesson for one or some of the learners – is a fundamental part of teaching.

This Pocketbook looks at ability, potential and difference and turns theory into practice. It includes around 30 ways of differentiating that will help you plan and teach creative, student-focused lessons where every learner is appropriately challenged and supported, and where engaged, stimulated and motivated students work in a state of 'flow'. In this kind of environment true differentiation serves not so much to label as to enable



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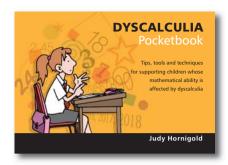
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Drama-based activities encourage high levels of cognitive activity; they're fun, they get everyone involved, and they work across the curriculum. Maybe you recognise drama as a powerful tool for learning but don't see how it applies to your subject/classroom? Possibly you've experimented with drama and would like to build on this, or perhaps you're waiting in the wings unsure how to make your debut?

Enter the Drama for Learning Pocketbook with its wardrobe of techniques: drama games; exploring narrative, character and dilemmas: 'stylisation'; analogies; props and 'teacher in role'. Each chapter describes several different drama activities with a worked example of each followed by ideas banks suggesting applications right across the curriculum

Whether you're a primary or secondary specialist why not give Drama for Learning an audition? It could become the star of your show!



: Judy Hornigold Author 978 1 906610 84 5 ISBN

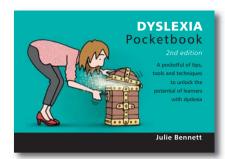
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Are you an inchworm or a grasshopper? While grasshoppers get the bigger picture and have a real facility with number, inchworms understand a great deal less. They follow mathematical procedures mechanically without understanding number and without the capacity to be flexible, creative or to check their work. Not all inchworms are dyscalculic, but all dyscalculics are inchworms.

In the Dyscalculia Pocketbook you will find out exactly what dyscalculia is (and how it differs from maths anxiety); discover the possible causes of dyscalculia, its different subtypes and the learning difficulties it gives rise to: learn about ways to identify dyscalculia and - importantly find strategies for supporting children who have this specific learning difficulty.

The book balances research, theory and practice. The three components of a mathematical idea and the six levels of knowledge sit alongside numerous classroom examples and applications. recommended resources (and how to use them), teaching ideas, tips, and games to support and develop the maths ability of dyscalculic learners.



· Julie Bennett Author ISBN : 978 1 906610 64 7

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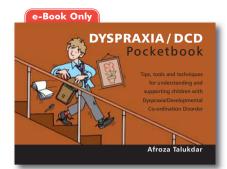
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Julie Bennett sees dyslexia as a learning difference rather than a learning disability. If you:

- Would like a better grasp of what dyslexia is
- · Are seeking a helpful guide to the multiplicity of approaches to dyslexia
- · Need tools and techniques for teaching dyslexic learners
- Wonder how multi-sensory learning can help dyslexics
- · Could do with some strategies for raising the self-esteem of your dyslexic pupils
- Want to track down resources and organisations to support what you're already doing

it's all here in one handy guide. One dyslexia specialist recently told us: 'The Dyslexia Pocketbook is the best book on the subject in this country'.

Look no further! A goldmine of information. Notts. Dyslexia Association



· Afroza Talukdar Author : 978 1 906610 38 8 ISBN

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Find out what exactly dyspraxia / DCD is and the current approaches to diagnosis. Learn how to recognise students with dyspraxia; familiarise vourself with the effects of the condition. including secondary consequences; and equip yourself with a range of teaching tools and classroom strategies to support pupils with this 'hidden disability'.

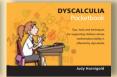
Afroza Talukdar works as a specialist teacher, providing advice to mainstream teachers on how best to address the needs of children with motor co-ordination difficulties. She cuts through the confusion of different terminologies and overlapping difficulties and explains how you can make a real difference in helping students with this disorder to achieve their potential.

By the end of the book you will understand dyspraxic learners' complex difficulties and feel confident about developing a dyspraxia-friendly classroom within which they can be addressed.

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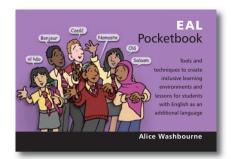












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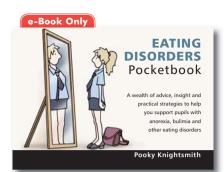
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Britain today is culturally and linguistically diverse. One in eight pupils in primary schools speaks a language other than English: in secondary schools, one in six. Over 200 languages are spoken in London schools.

The EAL Pocketbook is for teachers of pupils learning English as an additional language. whether in rural or urban contexts. It provides tips, tools and techniques to ensure that all pupils

can thrive in their learning. Author Alice Washbourne is a consultant EAL advisor. Her inclusive approach is modelled on 'the ladder to success' beginning with the learner's skills and strengths, building on these to make learning cognitively challenging. then providing scaffolding to support their move towards independent learning.

Practical guidance for both novice and experienced practitioners.



: Pooky Knightsmith : 978 1 906610 49 4 ISBN

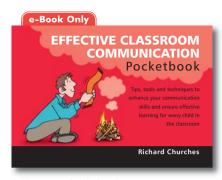
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Eating disorders are not 'just a teenage fad'; they are a serious mental health disorder that can affect people of any age, race or gender. Statistically speaking, one student in each of your classes is at risk. But how should you respond when a pupil confides in you about their eating disorder? And how can school staff support young people trying to overcome this type of illness?

Concentrating on anorexia, 'I don't think it's bulimia and binge eating aoina too far to say my disorder, this Pocketbook teacher saved my life'. explains what an eating (Recovered anorexic) disorder is and what life is like for sufferers. It identifies risk factors and warning signs, outlines ways to encourage pupils to talk about their disorder, and looks at strategies for helping them. The final section of the book details a whole school approach to supporting recovery.

Author Pooky Knightsmith has worked with over 500 young people with eating disorders. She also has first hand experience to draw on. Her knowledge and insight are invaluable.



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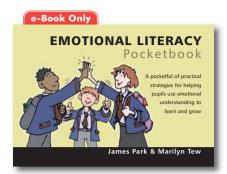
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Research consistently shows that teacher effectiveness is about engagement, interaction. questioning, positive atmosphere, high expectations and suitable challenge. At the heart of all these areas is the ability to communicate effectively. How you do that minute by minute and second by second is fundamental to what children learn and remember and to how they behave.

Richard Churches draws from a range of disciplines, such as psychology, NLP and neuroscience, to provide a practical compendium of communication expertise based on what highly effective teachers do. You'll find out how to use influential language patterns to support learning and positive behaviour; the secrets of body language and non-verbal communication; how to communicate to create the right emotional climate; effective questioning techniques; etc.

Small changes to your current practice could lead to huge benefits in the classroom.





Authors : James Park & Marilyn Tew ISBN : 978 1 903776 80 3

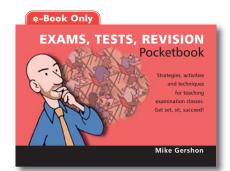
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By helping students to recognise, understand and handle emotions - their own and others' - we can build their self-esteem, improve their confidence and pave the way for them to become educationally and socially successful.

The authors use case studies to demonstrate the effectiveness of helping children to feel CLASI -Capable, Listened to, Accepted, Safe, Included. There are chapters on building relationships that support learning, on nurturing 'open' conversations, on working effectively in groups and on classroom organisation. Sections on using stories to build emotional literacy and on emotional literacy in the staffroom emphasise the need to keep the bridge open between the thinking and feeling parts of the brain.

A reliable and authoritative Pocketbook that, as one literacy coordinator told us, guides newcomers while stimulating and reinvigorating those already familiar with the field.



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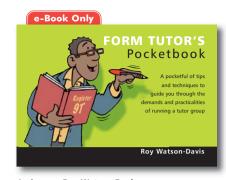
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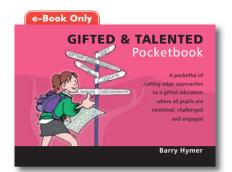
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The role of form tutor is a role for which most teachers receive very little training. Somehow you're expected to pick up and master the considerable skills as you go along. Picking up this pocketbook for its clear guidance on all aspects of the job – administrative, pastoral and academic – is the way forward.

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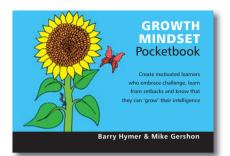
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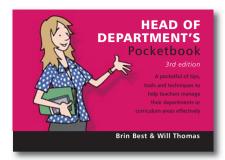
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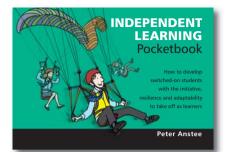
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'The mind is not a vessel to be filled but a fire to be kindled ' So said Plutarch, whose wise words are often quoted among teachers. The trouble is that, as much as we believe those words, we're sometimes under such pressure to 'deliver' that we're tricked into the spoon-feeding shortcut. We then become trapped, with our pupils, in an unhealthy cycle where we do more and more of the work and they rely on us more and more heavily.

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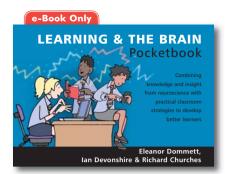
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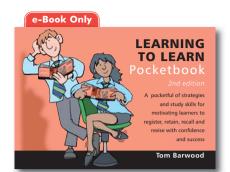
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Understanding the science of learning in the brain is a powerful way to inform teaching and have an impact on learning. Furthermore, research evidence shows that teaching children about how the brain learns can improve their motivation to learn. So, when education writer and former teacher Richard Churches got together with two neuroscientists and a group of teachers they saw an exciting opportunity to pool their expertise and explore how insight from neuroscience could translate into classroom practice.

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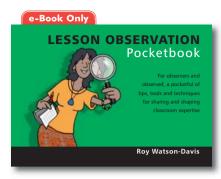
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Many of us assume that learning is something we should be able to do, that some people are good learners and others poor learners. Learning is actually an active process: it can be learned and applied to a variety of situations.

In this Pocketbook, designed for both teachers and their students, Tom Barwood explains that successful learning depends on two things: Why you want to learn and knowing how to learn. The first part of the book deals with motivation and the second with mechanics - registering. retaining, recalling, revising. From slicing, mindmapping and learning styles: through mnemonics. mind pegs and the seven keys of memory: to reviewing, snowballing and recording, the art of learning is explored

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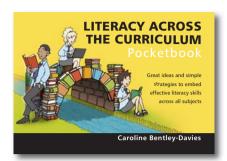
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We're all familiar with the summative. Ofsted model of lesson observation where performance is judged according to external criteria. However, used formatively and creatively, lesson observation is a process that can support and professionally develop the observer as much as the observed. Observing colleagues teach and allowing them to observe us teach are among the most valuable and effective ways of improving our own practice.

This is a practical book for all teachers. It covers being observed; learning to be a good observer whether that's to coach the colleague you are observing, to learn from what you see or to assess performance; participant observation; pair and trio observation; feedback; pupil observation and personalising observation for your own school/department/subject.

Roy Watson-Davis cites actual examples to illustrate his points. He shows empathy with classroom teachers and genuine commitment to exciting, stimulating professional development. You'll want to get started straight away.



Author : Caroline Bentley-Davies

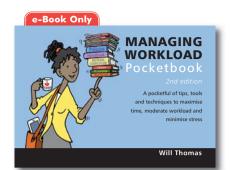
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The latest teaching standards demand that all teachers 'take responsibility for promoting high standards of literacy and correct use of standard English, whatever the teacher's specialism'. That's no bad thing, but it leaves some of us feeling under-trained and over-exposed. Enter the Literacy Across the Curriculum Pocketbook.

The book is based on four principles: literacy is important for all learning; we owe it to our pupils to help them develop their literacy; developing strategies for LAC enhances teaching and learning across the school; teachers do not have to be literacy experts to promote LAC.

In a series of punchy chapters, (Speaking for Success, Write Better! Vamp up your Vocabulary, Splendid Spelling, Raring to Read) Caroline Bentley-Davies presents practical ideas and simple strategies for incorporating literacy skills into your own lessons. All this plus some really helpful advice on note-making.



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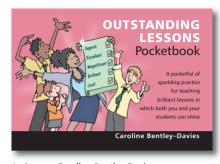
A recent survey found that work-related stress among teachers is double the national average for most other professions. In the Managing Workload Pocketbook Will Thomas demonstrates how changing your mental approach to workload and implementing a few key elements to manage stress can minimise the impact of psychological distress on your health and well-being.

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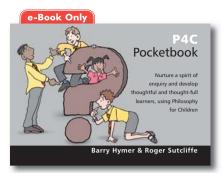
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Teaching brilliant lessons is something all teachers aspire to, not least because we get a buzz from knowing we have made an impact. When we teach great lessons our students are motivated. engaged and successful, and we are judged in a positive light – by our colleagues, by our pupils and by inspectors.

Caroline Bentley-Davies has taught demonstration lessons in over 80 schools. Drawing from classroom practice, lesson observations / inspections, current research, and comments from pupils and teachers, she covers the crucial factors for outstanding lessons. These range from relationships, planning, motivating and communicating, to content, assessment, differentiation, resources and methodology.

If you want to teach 'stunning lessons that will make an impression on your pupils and knock the socks off your observers', the tips in this book will help you to do just that.



Authors: Barry Hymer & Roger Sutcliffe

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Philosophy for Children (P4C) was conceived by Professor Matthew Lipman in the late 1960s:

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In the P4C Pocketbook Barry Hymer and Roger Sutcliffe explain how to use P4C in your own classroom to sustain and develop in all children the curiosity that is so evident in the young. They introduce and explain 'communities of enquiry'. outline a broad ten-step process for P4C sessions, provide plenty of practical examples, and show how P4C can be used to explore key concepts. There are chapters on choosing a stimulus, questions, the Socratic Method, facilitating an enquiry, plus an excellent resource section at the end of the book spanning foundation stage to KS5.



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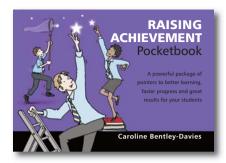
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Teachers' questions play a critical role, not just for the thinking they provoke, but in the modelling of guestioning skills and the development of curiosity. Research shows that when teachers think more about questioning deepening their understanding, extending their range of strategies and planning their questions - responses from pupils improve, and engagement and learning increase.

This Pocketbook separates out the three elements of questioning: framing them; delivering them; and responding to the answers. It offers both simple tweaks and fundamental shifts to turn instinctive practice into a highly effective teaching and learning tool. Your 'question master' Gorden Pope finds a happy balance between theory and evidence-based practice. ending with a short checklist for monitoring and improving your own questioning.

This Pocketbook not only has the answers, it has the questions too!



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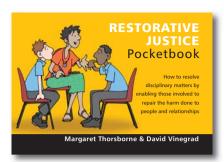
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The drive in schools to ensure that all students reach their potential is fuelled by a wealth of data for tracking progress and revealing which groups and individuals are underachieving. The challenge for teachers is to find strategies that 'close the gap', allowing every pupil the best possible chance of success.

With characteristic energy, Caroline Bentley-Davies shows how to strengthen learning and engagement, so boosting progress and attainment.

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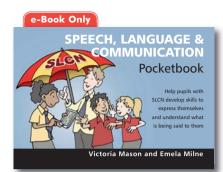
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Expert practitioners Margaret and David provide a thorough grounding in restorative practice, with worked examples and easy-to-follow teacher scripts to get you started. If RJ is new to you. you'll be a convert in no time!



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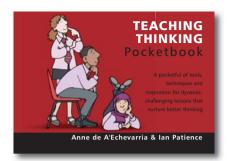
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Never before have we had access to such a flood of information - internet, tv. radio, mobile phones, etc. But what strategies are children developing to screen it all? They can access information and absorb it as entertainment, but they often lack the skills to approach it critically. For our students to flourish in the information age, it's crucial that we teach them to think.

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