# **Supporting Students With Numeracy Difficulties: 100 Ideas for Teachers**

### Assessment

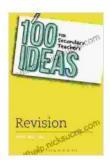
- Use a variety of assessment tools to identify students with numeracy difficulties. This may include formal tests, informal observations, and student work samples.
- Consider using a screening tool to identify students at risk for numeracy difficulties. This can help you to provide early intervention services.
- 3. **Look for patterns in students' errors.** This can help you to identify the specific areas where students are struggling.
- Talk to students about their math difficulties. This can help you to understand their perspectives and develop more effective interventions.

#### Instruction

- Provide explicit instruction in math concepts and skills. This
  means breaking down concepts into small steps and providing clear
  explanations.
- 6. **Use visual aids and manipulatives to support students' understanding.** This can help to make math concepts more concrete.
- 7. **Incorporate movement into math lessons.** This can help to engage students and improve their understanding.

- 8. Provide opportunities for students to practice math skills in a variety of contexts. This can help them to generalize their learning.
- 9. **Use technology to support students' learning.** There are a number of software programs and online resources that can be helpful for students with numeracy difficulties.
- 10. Modify instruction to meet the needs of individual students. This may include providing extra support or scaffolding, or using different teaching methods.

#### Intervention



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- 11. Provide small-group or individual intervention for students with significant numeracy difficulties. This may include working with a math specialist or tutor.
- 12. **Use evidence-based interventions.** This means using interventions that have been shown to be effective in research studies.

- 13. **Monitor students' progress closely.** This will help you to determine whether the intervention is effective and make adjustments as needed.
- 14. **Collaborate with parents and other professionals.** This can help you to provide a comprehensive approach to supporting students with numeracy difficulties.

### **Other Tips**

- 15. Create a positive and supportive learning environment. This means providing students with encouragement and praise, and avoiding negative feedback.
- 16. Encourage students to ask questions and seek help when they need it. This can help them to overcome their difficulties and build confidence.
- 17. **Provide students with opportunities to learn from their peers.** This can help them to see how other students approach math problems and develop their own strategies.
- 18. **Celebrate students' successes.** This can help them to stay motivated and continue to progress.
- 19. **Be patient and understanding.** It takes time for students with numeracy difficulties to learn math concepts and skills.

Here are 81 additional ideas for supporting students with numeracy difficulties:

20. Use number lines to help students visualize numbers and relationships between numbers.

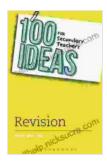
- 21. Use counting chips or other manipulatives to help students count and understand number relationships.
- 22. Play math games to help students practice math skills in a fun and engaging way.
- 23. Sing math songs to help students learn math concepts and skills.
- 24. Use technology to support students' learning, such as math apps and online games.
- 25. Provide students with extra time to complete math assignments.
- 26. Allow students to use calculators or other tools to support their learning.
- 27. Break down math problems into smaller steps.
- 28. Provide students with visual representations of math concepts.
- 29. Use concrete materials to help students understand math concepts.
- 30. Encourage students to use their fingers or other objects to count.
- 31. Use manipulatives to help students visualize math concepts.
- 32. Allow students to work with a partner or in a small group.
- 33. Provide students with opportunities to practice math skills in different contexts.
- 34. Encourage students to explain their thinking when solving math problems.
- 35. Use error analysis to identify students' strengths and weaknesses.
- 36. Provide students with feedback on their math work.

- 37. Encourage students to set realistic goals for themselves.
- 38. Celebrate students' successes in math.
- 39. Advocate for students with numeracy difficulties.
- 40. Collaborate with other professionals to support students with numeracy difficulties.
- 41. Stay up-to-date on the latest research on numeracy difficulties.
- 42. Use a multi-sensory approach to teaching math.
- 43. Provide students with opportunities to build their math vocabulary.
- 44. Encourage students to use math in real-world situations.
- 45. Make math fun and engaging.
- 46. Provide opportunities for students to explore math concepts in depth.
- 47. Encourage students to develop their own math strategies.
- 48. Use peer tutoring to support students with numeracy difficulties.
- 49. Provide students with opportunities to reflect on their math learning.
- 50. Encourage students to practice math regularly.
- 51. Provide students with access to math resources.
- 52. Create a math-rich environment.
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By using these strategies, teachers can help students with numeracy difficulties to succeed in math and reach their full potential.



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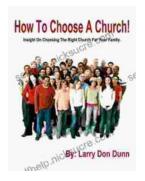
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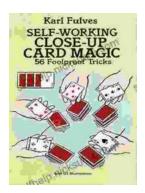
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