

# Jewish Teachers Institute

## VII WORKSHOP

### A Method For Teaching Texts

#### Summary for Administrators

Duration: 30 minutes

Grade level: 6-12

Subject area(s): Primarily Mishnah & Gemara, but also relevant to Tanach

The **VII** workshop enables *mechanchim* to help struggling learners by employing seven strategies:

CATEGORY	STRATEGIES	EXPLANATION
<b>V</b> Visuals	1. White board and simple props 2. Mark up the text (teacher) 3. Vocab list 4. <i>Pesukim</i>	<i>25-50% of learners struggle when information is presented only orally; teachers will learn techniques for incorporating visuals without radically changing their teaching style.</i>
<b>I</b> Interactive	5. Mark up the text (student) 6. Note taking	<i>Interactive means they are actively participating in the lesson.</i>
<b>I</b> Inductive	7. Begin with logical map	<i>Inductive means enabling the students to experience a concept before analyzing it.</i>

Workshop style: During this workshop, the Presenter models each of the seven strategies. *Mechanchim* gain a clear understanding of both the *why* and the *how* of these seven strategies.

Evidence: S. Rimm-Kaufman et al. "Efficacy of the responsive classroom approach: Results from a 3-year, longitudinal randomized controlled trial," *American Educational Research Journal* 51.3 (2014): 567-603; and B. Flay & C. Allred (2003), *American Journal of Healthy Behavior*, 27 (1), 6-21; see also the 2017 Rand Report ([https://www.rand.org/pubs/research\\_reports/RR2133.html](https://www.rand.org/pubs/research_reports/RR2133.html)).

