Support thinking

Tools and approaches to help students to recognise patterns, critical features, big ideas and relationships.

- Highlight patterns, critical features, big ideas and relationships using visuals, mind maps, 3-D manipulatives, outlines, flow charts and real objects.
- Give students multiple opportunities to engage with new ideas and concepts.
- Provide extra time for students to think and process before needing to respond in a discussion.
- Use mind maps to brainstorm ideas and make connections.
- Support group and class discussions with visual annotations to prompt later recall of key ideas.
- Offer students a variety of graphic organisers and flow charts to support thinking in all curriculum areas.

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