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# Empowering Teachers through Technology

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**Technology is a critical support to intensive, in-person teacher professional development and scientifically-grounded instructional design.**

Technology is not a solution that works by itself.

**Technology can never replace the critical behavioral relationship between the teacher and child, including demonstration of emotional connection and positive motivation.**

While some organizations see technology as a replacement of the teacher, we focus on **how to support and empower the teacher with technology, including using technology to create digitally transparent classrooms.**

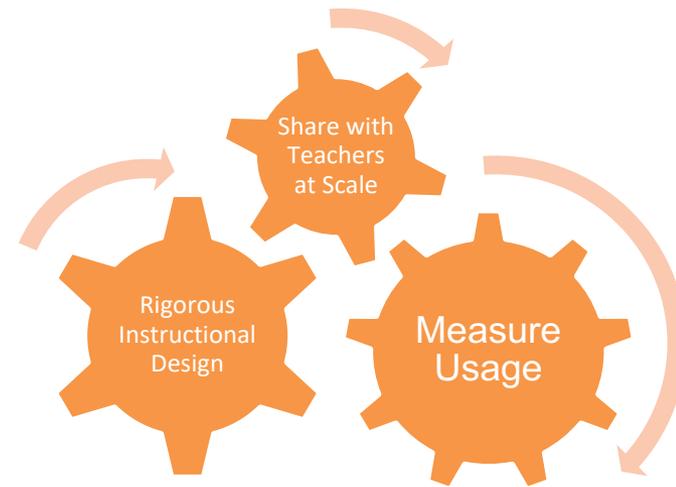
We invest in intensive in-person training, with each teacher receiving a minimum of 2 weeks program induction training, and followed up with **daily and weekly observations by the school leader and at least 1 lesson observation per month by a professional development coach.**

**In the past 10 years, we've trained 35,000+ teachers for 2000 days, with more than 25,000 contact hours.**



Table 4. Average 2015 June Pupil Performance vs. 2014 November: Five-year-olds

| EGRA/EGMA Subtask         | November 2014   |            | June 2015  |
|---------------------------|-----------------|------------|------------|
|                           | Without Program | Bridge     | Bridge     |
| Listening comprehension   | 8%              | 22%        | 39%        |
| Letter sound knowledge    | 14 letters      | 16 letters | 27 letters |
| Non-word reading          | 4.8 words       | 5.4 words  | 9.5 words  |
| Familiar word reading     | 3.3 words       | 5.2 words  | 10.8 words |
| Passage fluency           | 2.8 words       | 4.4 words  | 10.6 words |
| Oral counting             | 58              | 56         | 61         |
| One-to-one correspondence | 57              | 60         | 63         |
| Number identification     | 44%             | 50%        | 62%        |
| Quantity discrimination   | 46%             | 54%        | 74%        |
| Addition 1                | 15%             | 19%        | 21%        |



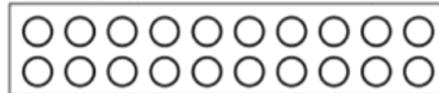


10. **This time, it is YOUR TURN.** Point to the class.
11. **Your turn.** 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20.
12. **Excellent work! You just counted from 1 to 20 all by yourselves.**

**Counting circles – 12 minutes**

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13. Draw the following on the board.



14. I will count these circles. When I count, I touch each one. I don't skip any.
15. **My turn.** 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20.
16. Pass out copies of the practice sheet. **Class, turn to the last page of your practice sheet.**

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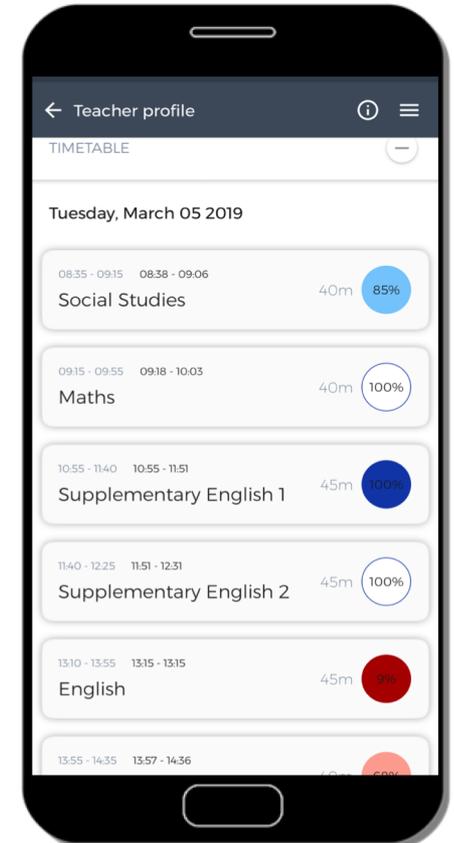
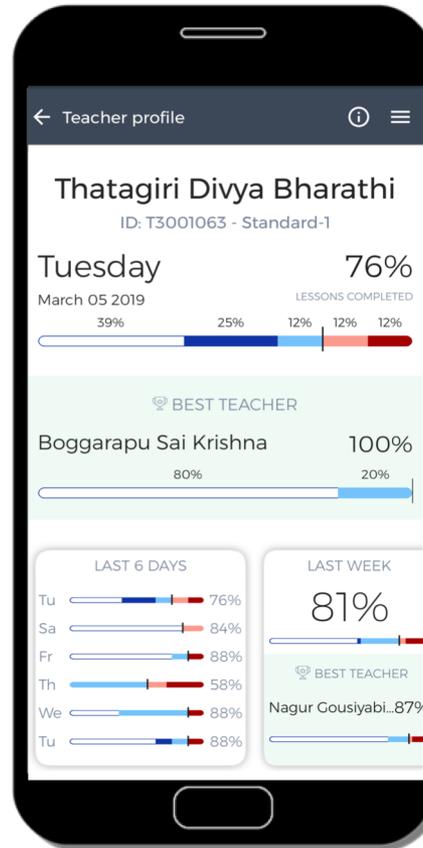
17. Touch the first circle on the board. **Class, point to the first circle on your Practice Sheet.**
18. Circulate to make sure every student has his/her finger on the first circle on the page. Do not move on until every student is doing so.
19. **We will count these circles.**
20. **Point to each circle on your page as you say the number.**
21. **When we count, we touch each one. We don't skip any.**
22. **Our turn.** Lead students in counting 20 circles. Count very slowly and touch each

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## Digital transparency of teacher practice empowers school leaders to provide objective, quality feedback

*When I arrived, the school leader was sitting in Grade 3, observing the teacher that was struggling to keep on time. The school leader, who was previously unengaged on academic matters, was observing a class. I never thought I would see the day.*

**- Sean O'Malley, Academic Director, Liberia**

*This school leader is usually a fairly apathetic person and I was shocked to see him own some of the learning. Martin said to the G6 teacher who taught his last lesson at noon, "You are not teaching the full day.*

**- Daniel Fully, School Supervisor, Liberia**



*Previously, it was difficult for school leaders to have a conversation with teachers as it was difficult to identify the main causes behind their lesson delivery (because didn't see it lesson by lesson). The app helped to bridge this gap by providing guidance to see data in different ways.*

**- Jitesh Kumar, School Supervisor, Andhra Pradesh**

*I find people responding more positively than when I used to talk to them without the app. This app is not partial! The school leader's feedback to teachers on their teaching is more accepted by teachers. It is clearer to them - a true reflection.*

**- Bode Hassan, School Supervisor Bode, Lagos**



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## Evaluating Blocked vs Interleaved Problems

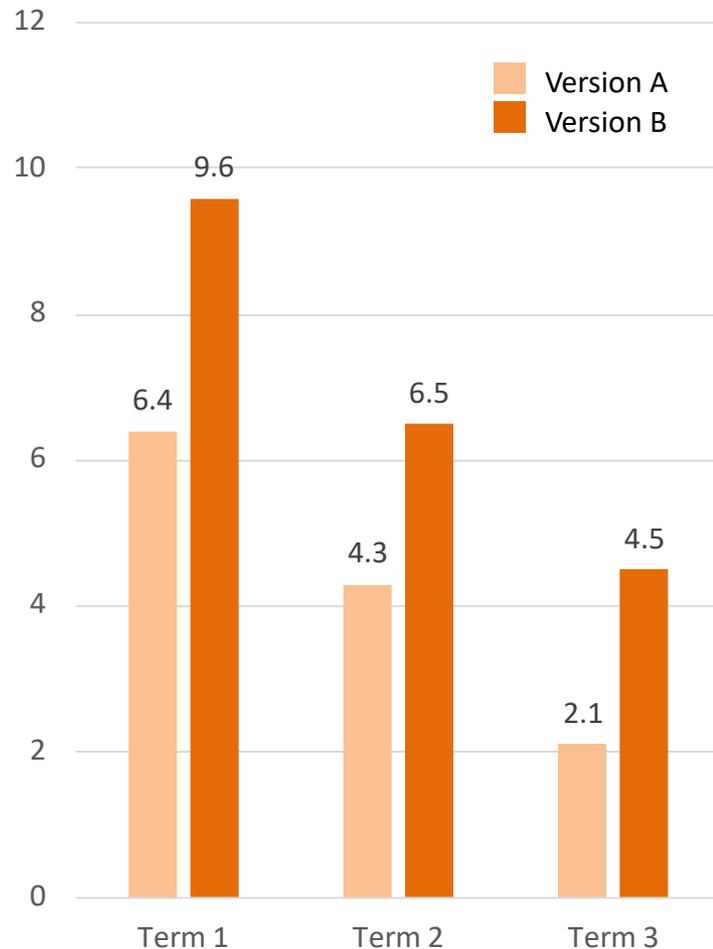
**Blocked problem sets:** Aligning all practice problems to a daily objective

**Interleaved problem sets:** Mixing in some problems aligned to prior objectives

| Blocked (Version A) | Interleaved (Version B)                              |
|---------------------|--|
| 1) $x - 5 = 13$     | 1) $x - 5 = 13$                                      |
| 2) $x - 8 = 12$     | 2) <b>Round 697 to the nearest hundred.</b>          |
| 3) $x - 10 = 19$    | 3) <b>Write 8/10 as a percent.</b>                   |
| 4) $x - 12 = 35$    | 4) $x - 8 = 12$                                      |
| 5) $x - 17 = 49$    | 5) <b>8.6 - 0.90</b>                                 |
| 6) $m - 25 = 67$    | 6) $m - 25 = 67$                                     |
| 7) $q - 20 = 108$   | 7) <b>Find the least common multiple of 6 and 9.</b> |
| 8) $p - 25 = 100$   | 8) $p - 25 = 100$                                    |



## Lagos Primary 5 Mathematics Gain Scores by Term



## Setting up an A/B test

### Step 1:

Select a site for testing (Lagos, Primary 5, Mathematics)

### Step 2:

Randomise half of schools to Version A, half of schools to Version B

### Step 3:

Design and administer pretest. Teachers receive test via digital teacher guide, enter scores electronically

### Step 4:

Run the intervention for 2-3 terms

### Step 5:

Design and administer post-test. Teachers receive test via digital teacher guide, enter scores electronically

### Step 6:

Analyse data, scale up more effective approach



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