Department of Primary & Childhood Education Lesson Plan 2021/22



Date:	Class: Year 2	Subject/topic: Computing – Algorithms	Time: 10.30 –
			11.30

Prior knowledge: Children have written algorithms as an unplugged activity. They have designed Bee-bot mats for today.

Outcomes:

what composite knowledge/ skills do you want children to achieve?

Children will write an algorithm to program a Bee-bot, test the algorithm and debug it.

Assessment: Observation

Learning objectives:Substantive & disciplinary knowledge

- 1. To design a route-based algorithm
- 2. To program a device with the algorithm and test it
- 3. To debug the algorithm and ensure it is accurate.

Key vocabulary: Algorithm, program, execute, test, debug	Resources: Bee-bots, Children's Bee-bot mats, algorithm cards, Bee-bot placeholders, worksheets for recording algorithms, programmer hats, debugger hats
Predicted misconceptions: Children must enter the algorithm as it is written and not change it. Children cannot pick up the Bee-bot if the program goes wrong	Risk assessment: Children moving between the carpet and tables needs to be controlled. Children using Beebots with batteries – check battery compartments are closed securely.

Edge Hill University **SEQUENCE OF TEACHING & LEARNING** Children's steps in learning: Timing: Role of the teacher & support Adaptive teaching: Checking what children know, understand and staff: consider pace what will the children be doing? Learn, practise and apply consider adaptive strategies to can do: support all pupils (including of lesson. component steps. e.g. key questions, retrieval of prior learning, Key questions inc. hinge and stretch and challenge & SEND). modelling and explanations, checking retrieval/recall, assessment of consider resources. understanding, consider cognitive overload, outcomes. effective use of additional adults, behaviour for learning. Ensure Bee-bot mats are laid on Prethe tables, worksheets for each child and Bee-bots are charged. lesson 10.30 What is an algorithm? On the carpet, ask children to Children answer the questions posed. recall learning. How did we use algorithms last lesson? What do the instructions in an algorithm need to be? 10.35 Children listen Explain children are to write an algorithm to move the Bee-bot from their start point on their map, to the end point. They need to Children can use navigate Bee-bot around any either words or obstacles. Model the process for symbols for their the children using a map on the algorithm whiteboard. Ask the children what Questions about the Children offer suggestions about each step the first instructions will be and in the instructions. Children working with directions. the TA will be able to collectively compile the algorithm. Write the instructions next to the use algorithm map with the symbols. direction cards.

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Timing: consider pace of lesson.	Role of the teacher & support staff: e.g. key questions, retrieval of prior learning, modelling and explanations, checking understanding, consider cognitive overload, effective use of additional adults, behaviour for learning.	Children's steps in learning: what will the children be doing? Learn, practise and apply component steps.	Adaptive teaching: consider adaptive strategies to support all pupils (including stretch and challenge & SEND), consider resources.	Checking what children know, understand and can do: Key questions inc. hinge and retrieval/recall, assessment of outcomes.
10.45	Give directions to move to the tables and begin work. Monitor and observe progress, supporting as needed. Hand out algorithm cards/ placeholder Bee-bots as needed.	Children move to their tables and apply their knowledge of algorithms to write the algorithm, using the map and worksheet.	Some children will need a placeholder Bee-bot card to work with their map. Some children may need algorithm cards to support them, rather than the worksheet	Check that children write an algorithm for their route (LO1)
11.00	Explain that children need to test if their algorithm works. Ask children how the Bee-bot works. Rules: children must program the Bee-bot exactly as it is written in the algorithm – do not make changes; once they have pressed Go, they cannot touch the Beebot – if it goes somewhere unexpected, write this down on your algorithm – what do you need to change to make the algorithm work? Explain the roles for the children – one is the programmer , the other wrote the algorithm and is the	Children work in pairs and put on their programmer/ debugger hats. One programs the algorithm into the Bee-bot, the other (child who wrote the algorithm) checks to see if the algorithm works. If it does not work, they note down when the algorithm went wrong and correct it (debugging).	Some children will work in a small group with the TA. TA should not program the Beebot for the children.	What do each of the buttons do on the Beebot? Which button must we press before we program the Bee-bot? Why? Check that children are programming, testing and debugging the algorithm (LO2&3) Make notes on your assessment grid: have children written an algorithm? Have they programmed a device

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Beebot?

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EVALUATION
Evaluation of pupils' learning:
Next steps: e.g. how to address misconceptions, providing increased challenge or support, use of different resources or modelling techniques.
Evaluation of teaching:
Next steps: e.g. subject knowledge, teaching strategies, behaviour management.