

Guidelines for Direct Instruction of New Content

Grade Level	Appropriate Amount of Direct Instruction
Grades K-2	5-8 minutes
Grades 3-5	8-12 minutes
Grades 6-8	12-15 minutes
Grades 9-12	12-15 minutes
Adult learners	15-18 minutes

Source: Teaching with the Brain (p.37), by Eric Jensen, 2005