

## Correcting mistakes: using a coaching style of teaching

Print and use this in the car when giving a lesson. It's a helpful in-car guide



### Firstly, discuss what happened

#### Point out the mistake

- What happened when you.....?
- What are your thoughts about.....?
- Tell me about.....
- Let's talk about.....
- Or; just tell the pupil specifically what the mistake is.

#### Then discuss why it happened:

- Why do you think this happened?
- What caused this to happen?



### Then let the pupil reflect on the risks

#### Discuss the risks of making the mistake

- What are the risks of doing this?
- What could the consequences be?
- How could this affect other road users?
- Remind me why it's important to.....



### Make sure the pupil knows what to do next time

#### Discuss how to correct the mistake, so the pupil knows what to do next time

- What will you do differently next time?
- How can you improve this?
- What's your plan to correct this mistake?



### Before trying again, the pupil needs to know what is expected of them

#### Agree the balance of responsibility

'Let's try that manoeuvre again. I won't say anything. Just try to remember what we've just been talking about'

'Let's try that again. I'll talk you through it this time. So just follow my instructions.'

'Let's try that again. Do you want me to talk you through it this time? Or, do you want to try without me helping?'

**Note:** if the pupil initially wants some instruction from you, and then after this you think they should have another try without you helping, you should tell them this so they know what's expected of them.