# CLIL GUIDING PRINCIPLES: the 4Cs

#### **CONTENT:**

refers to the *content* that we want to teach and our sts to learn

#### **COGNITION:**

refers to the *cognitive* or *thinking skills* like reasoning, creative thinking and evaluating

**LOTS & HOTS** 

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#### **COMMUNICATION:**

refers to the **key language** we will need to deliver the topic by reducing Teacher Talking Time (**TTT**) and increasing Student Talking Time (**STT**)

#### **CULTURE:**

refers to the sts' awareness of the world beyond their own

### What are the Cummins' Quadrants?

A model of 4 quadrants (THE MATRIX) to describe the cognitive and language level of lesson input.

Language must not be an obstacle to understanding

The quadrants distinguish between two different lesson inputs:

#### from BICS

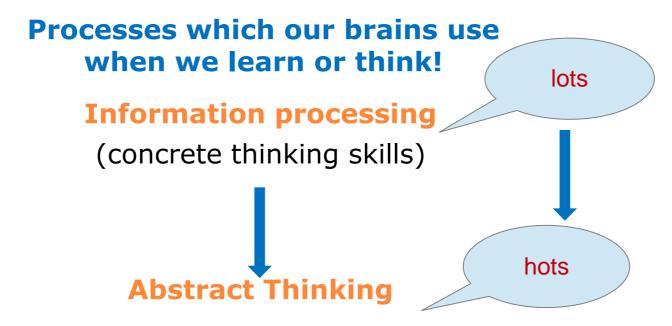
Basic Interpersonal Communicative Skills

#### to CALP

Cognitive Academic Language Proficiency

### WHAT ARE COGNITIVE SKILLS?

#### THINKING SKILLS



#### **Examples include:**

Hypothesising
Creative thinking
Enquiry skills (asking questions)
Synthesis

## **LOTS & HOTS**

# Lower Order Thinking Skills (LOTS)

- To remember information
- To order information
- To define objects
- To check understanding
- To review learning

# Higher Order Thinking Skills (HOTS)

- To develop reasoning skills
- To develop enquiry and discussion
- To develop creative thinking
- To evaluate work

Bloom's Taxonomy To hypothesise

Increasing difficulty