

Spiraling in mathematics

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The use of "spiraling" has been mentioned several times in the discussion of "Everyday Mathematics." Here is a link to their website explaining the use of spiraling. I have not read much of this research yet, so, by posting this link, I am not expressing either support or opposition to the concept.

However, the use of spiraling is also one of the current controversies I raised in the changes to the Aragon precalculus program. I have asked many teachers who endorse spiraling if they knew of research that detailed how much practice is "enough" on the topic of the day, but still am empty-handed on answers to this question. Clearly the answer depends upon the individual, but one would think that some educational psychologist somewhere has researched this and come up with a recommendation "on average" ?!?!???

<http://everydaymath.uchicago.edu/about/w...>