# How do SSTs Problem Solve?

Define the Problem (Problem Identification)

- Prioritize problems and choose the one of greatest concern
- Create a specific and observable description of the behavior (academic/social)

Analyze the Problem

- Gain a clear understanding of the causes (functions) of the problem
- Identify relevant obstacles
- Develop a goal to address the problem (observable and measurable)

Generate Solutions

- Brainstorm and evaluate possible solutions
- Make sure solutions directly address the identified problem

Implement the Plan

- Select a research-based intervention
- Assign roles
- Model intervention

Progress Monitor

- Select a method/tool to systematically monitor the student's progress toward written goal(s) - daily observation/log, weekly assessment of a specific skill, etc.

Evaluate the Intervention

- Review progress monitoring data
- Determine appropriate next steps