How to Teach QGIS
Challenges
Teaching Models
Get people working together
Encourage experimentation
Log issues
Explain concepts
Explain how to contribute
Explain how open source works
Tell them about the warts
Have a helper for > 8
Don't
Try to cover everything
Get picky
Teach cartography
Ask people to provide data
Go too fast
Show how clever you are
Explain how to do the same thing in 3 ways
Bang on about open source
(Create your slides in QGIS)
Resources
Takes time to prepare, but good for follow-up

Only the ones you *need*

Slides

Machine

Consistent if possible

Workbook

Portable GIS

Ensures standard config from a stick, includes PostGres

Data

Keep it simple and relevant
Top Tips
Find out what delegates want

Demonstrate best practice

Show and tell map outputs

Allow space for exploration

Give them some quick wins (like annotations)

Customise the UI (incl. language) and make sure they do it

Use a flip-chart
Core Concepts
Styles = Rules

Print Composer *is not* QGIS

Expression building *is easy*

Plugins *rule*
Extras