

SEPTEMBER Coaching Session

IMPLEMENTATION FOCUS



- This week's goal is not to teach retelling— but to *begin* to learn the essential story elements found in every story.
- What you roll out in 2 rounds, intermediate teachers review in 1 round, and MS/HS teachers review in 2 days.

CURRENT STATUS

Focus on *recall*— not *retell*.

- Teach only 2 story elements this week.
- \cdot Understand that story elements are not equal.
- \cdot Foundation of a retell (and future summary) is the plot.

Readers expect every story to have a problem & solution.

- Readers know the 3 problem types/categories.
- \cdot Readers know the 3 solution types/categories.
- \cdot Readers infer which ones the author used based on the text clues.



Demystify how authors describe and hint at a story's problem and solution.

- · Characters (people) will face a problem.
- \cdot Problems will be fixed, solved, or improved.
- Identify text details (*Reading Voice*) that indicate the character's literal problem. Use the *Thinking Voice* to determine which of the 3 problem types it is.
- Identify text details (*Reading Voice*) that indicate the problem's solution. Use the *Thinking Voice* to determine which of the 3 solution types it is.

Teach/Model how to write out the thinking from earlier in the week.



RECALL: Write the literal problem/solution.

Describe the character's problem and the solution that fixed it.

INFERENCE: Write the type of problem/solution.

Infer the *type* of problem (or solution) the story had.

Readers recall literature

SOMEON

SOMETHING hel

Identify literature/stories that you have read so far this year.

NEXT STEPS

- Identify illustrations that review the problem.
- Identify illustrations that review the solution.
- Find photographs that depict grade-appropriate problems.



After this week, practice this thinking with whole-class read alouds.

- Recall the character's literal problem and then infer the type the author used.
- Recall the story's literal solution and then infer the type the author used.

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• The standards expect young readers, with prompts and support, to answer questions.



Focus on the process.

- Multiple steps in the song.
- · Utilize Reading (green) and Thinking (yellow) Voices.

CURRENT STATUS

- · Rooted in text evidence— not a guess.
- Parallel process to making an inference.

Plan *I-do* and *We-do* models using NEW text.

- Utilize short excerpts with text-embedded questions— and answers that immediately follow.
- Two excerpts each mini-lesson.
- Pre-write sticky notes for both models to emphasize the *Think-Aloud* process.

Follow with "read on" to confirm or adjust.

- No cheers or tears.
- Emphasize the backwards arrow.
- Reread to identify what you missed or misinterpreted.

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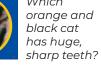


INFERENCE: Record a prediction.

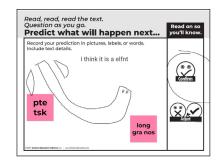
Predict the answer based on text clues.











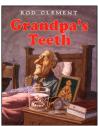
NEXT STEPS

Identify 8 "texts" that include several textembedded questions (2 models per mini-lesson).

- DAYS 1-2 | Select excerpts students will accurately predict.
- DAYS 3-4 | Select excerpts some students will likely answer incorrectly.

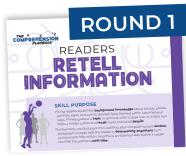
During the year, advance to longer texts expecting students to hold and refine their predictions *across* a text.



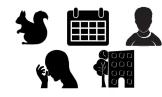


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- Clarify that readers add knowledge to their "brain backpacks" by reading informational text.
- Learn all about a big topic (e.g., an animal, an event, a person, an idea, a place).



 Learn by reading the details in words and visuals.



CURRENT STATUS

Introduce categories that help readers remember the details/facts learned from authors.

- OPTION 1 | Use the *Thinking Voice* to determine if the detail revealed something the topic *is, has, can,* or *does.*
- OPTION 2 | Use the *Thinking Voice* to determine if the detail revealed a detail about *who, what, where, when, why,* or *how.*



Tigers eat meat. They hunt deer and wild pigs. Some tigers eat monkeys.

Model reading 1-2 sentences of print text and any corresponding visuals (using the *Reading Voice*). Pause for the *Thinking Voice* to recall a new detail that was learned.
OPTION 1 | *Tigers eat meat! That's an action the animal "does."*

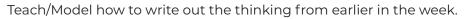
OPTION 2 | Tigers eat meat! That's "what" they eat.

CAUTION!

- This is a list of details found in this text— not just a fact list about a concept.
- De-emphasize making "equal" lists. Base it only on what the author provided.

Recognize *recall* expectations (Rounds 1-2)—versus *retell* (Rounds 3-4)

- · No order required.
- Not limited to the important—often includes the interesting.
- No sentences—just words and phrases.



Write

RECALL: Draw/Write facts learned from the author.

Recall important details about (topic).







Determine CATEGORIES for organization.

- Record facts learned into categories.
- Model (*I-do* and *We-do*) a couple excerpts in the whole-class mini-lessons.
- Continue to practice in whole-class *You-do* experiences.



Identify science and social studies texts that fit.

- Determine TYPE of topic to start with.
- Perhaps read aloud for gist before reading to collect information.
- Consider topics that include several texts.