



Lesson 9

Lesson Highlights

- In order for students to experience, learn, and apply the connections between reading and writing, teachers need to intentionally, and systematically, connect reading and writing rather than conduct separate lessons.
- Student choice in reading and writing is imperative to both reading and writing workshops.
- Teachers provide the greatest amount of support when they demonstrate or model how proficient writers complete a writing assignment while students observe.
- Effective teachers support student writers by demonstrating effective practices in writing, modeling writing, and guiding students through the stages of the writing process.
- The writing process involves five stages: prewriting, drafting, revising, editing, and publishing/sharing.
- Literacy assessment should be an integral and ongoing part of teaching and learning.
- Connecting content area reading and writing allows students to demonstrate their comprehension of what has been read through process of encoding.
- Strategies like taking notes, using writing journals, and writing down questions that need to be asked or answered are all good examples of connecting reading and writing in the content areas.
- Assessment is a continuous process of becoming informed about authentic learning. Assessment of literacy and content learning should use multiple data sources across multiple contexts and involve students in self-reflection and self-evaluation.
- Effective teachers identify their goals and plan their instruction at the same time they develop their assessment plans.



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