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CHAPTER ONE RESOURCES

Effective Reading Instruction

Learning Outcomes

- Explain why investing in teacher knowledge and skill development is important to student outcomes in P-12 schools.
- Create a timeline of historical events that have shaped current trends and practices in teaching reading.
- Analyze the rationale behind the major anchor standards for the English Language Arts in the Common Core State Standards (CCSS).
- Discuss how the definition of traditional print literacy has been broadened in the past decade.
- Explain why teachers make such a difference in helping a child to read.
- Describe the seven pillars of effective reading instruction used throughout this book.

Chapter Outline with Lecture Points (LP) and Focus Questions (FQ)

Becor	ning	a Master Teacher of Reading		
	_	Discuss early reading experiences (How did you learn to read? Who helped you? What do you remember about learning to read?). Discuss how positive or negative experiences affect motivation to learn to read (Are there lasting impacts from those experiences? As a result of these learning experiences, do you enjoy reading now?)		
	LP:	Explain how fiction and nonfiction reading sources can be incorporated into the class curriculum.		
	LP:	Discuss what it means to be a master teacher.		
A Brief History of Current Trends in Reading Instruction • Inability to Read: "A National Health Risk"				
		LP: Discuss the effects of illiteracy and aliteracy on an individual and societal level.		
Political Responses to the Literacy Crisis:				
		FQ: What have been the political responses leading to reading reform and have they been effective?		
		LP: Discuss the findings of the National Reading Panel and subsequent panels.		
Comr	non C	Core State Standards		
	FQ:	: Why were the Common Core State Standards developed?		
	LP:	Explain the goal of the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) and how they have shaped current educational thinking and practice.		
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and set higher standards for students.	tandards were reverse-engineered
What is Reading? □ LP: Compare and contrast the definitions of of reading have changed over time • Reading Instruction in the Twenty-First Cen □ LP: Discuss how the broadening use of definition and goal of reading instruction. • The Skills, Concepts, and Strategies of Sucception. □ LP: Present early reading skills, conception. □ LP: Discuss the relationship between reception.	tury media and technology is influencing the action. essful Reading ts and strategies ading and writing
student. • Support from Literacy Coaches	ledgeable, skilled, and competent erence in helping a child to read. The quality of a teacher and the success of the ethes? Have you been involved with a literacy
<u> </u>	prove your ability to teach reading? Ing education. In assessment, the definition, the goals, and room assessment (i.e., when to assess, ctices ased practices. Foortant? sroom management. It a successful reader. It tegies and skills? How do they relate? classroom "print-rich?"

instruction. • Pillar Four: Response to Intervention (RTI) ☐ LP: Discuss the three tiers of Response to Intervention. ☐ FQ: What is the goal of differentiated instruction? ☐ LP: Present and discuss tools and abilities needed to provide effective differentiated instruction. ☐ LP: Discuss ways to be culturally sensitive in reading instruction. Pillar Five: Motivation and Engagement ☐ FQ: What motivates you to read? ☐ LP: Explain and discuss the social and emotional factors that influence a child's choice to read. ☐ LP: Discuss ways to engage the child in reading. Pillar Six: Technology and New Literacies ☐ FQ: What are New Literacies and why is it becoming increasingly important to include these sources in daily curriculum? ☐ FQ: How can computer-assisted instruction be used to enhance literacy instruction? Pillar Seven: Family and Community Connections ☐ FO: How can teachers involve and enhance the family and community learning experience?

Learning Outcome Applications

- 1. Working with other members of a small group, discuss how your early reading experiences have influenced how you would like to teach children to read in your own classroom. Discuss tasks you might create in order to promote a positive early reading experience for your students. What tasks have worked for you in the past?
- 2. Create a timeline of historical events that have shaped current trends and practices in teaching reading.
- 3. Write a brief essay on how the definition of reading has changed over time. Include information on the causes of the changes.
- 4. The child, parent, and teacher must work together to create the ideal learning environment. Think about the Seven Pillars of Effective Reading Instruction and using a spider graph, relate each pillar to each participant in this powerful support group.
- 5. Working with other members of a small group, share and discuss two classroom management techniques that have been successful in your classroom or that you have observed to be successful.
- 6. Prepare a PowerPoint presentation and present three tasks to the class that will engage a child in reading using three of Gambrell's seven rules of motivation and engagement and addressing two dimensions of motivation. Include at least two vignettes.

- 7. Research an evidence-based classroom practice. Write a three-page paper discussing this practice. Include the steps of how you would incorporate the practice in the classroom.
- 8. Using technology and New Literacies, engage your students in a reading/writing task over the next five days. Following the task, write a three-page paper discussing the specifics of the task, how well the students responded (i.e., was it engaging), and what you would change about this specific task to make it more effective.
- 9. Watch the National Reading Panel Video Example 1.1. Discuss why the panel was formed and its major findings. How does the NRP's report continue to influence the way we think about literacy education today?

Field and Classroom Applications from the Textbook

- 1. Read *Using Research and Reason in Education: How Teachers Can Use Scientifically Based Research to Make Curricular and Instructional Decisions* (Stanovich & Stanovich, 2003). Working with other members of a small group, list ten reasons why teachers should rely on the results of research evidence to inform their instructional and curricular choices. Share your group's list with the rest of the class. Collapse all of the small-group charts into a single class chart.
- 2. Read the *Report of the National Reading Panel: Teaching Children to Read* (National Reading Panel, 2000) found online. Make a list of the five essentials of effective reading instruction. Next, read more closely to determine three instructional practices, skills, strategies, or concepts associated with each of the five essentials of reading for providing evidence-based reading instruction.
- 3. Read the Executive Summary of the *Developing Early Literacy* report from the National Early Literacy Panel (2008) available online. In small groups, prepare a brochure or pamphlet that explains to parents, teachers, and school administrators the best early predictors for success in learning to read. Share your pamphlet with your class or with parents at your first open house.
- 4. Read the Executive Summary of the report from the Annie E. Casey Foundation (2010) *Early warning!* Available at The Children's Reading Foundation website under the Research banner link. Make a list with a partner of at least two reasons why learning to read successfully when children are young is so critical.

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Test Bank

Multiple Choice Questions

- 1. Investing in teacher knowledge and skill development is
 - a. unimportant since children learn to read first from peers.
 - b. important since beginning readers learn first from their teacher.
 - c. not necessary to create master teachers of reading.
 - d. necessary to receive federal funding.
- 2. What term refers to the ability to read well?
 - a. phonemic awareness
 - b. literacy
 - c. orthographic awareness
 - d. aliteracy
- 3. What term describes the ability to hear individual sounds in spoken words?
 - a. print concepts
 - b. alphabetic principle

- c. phonemic awareness
- d. orthographic awareness
- 4. Recent social, political, and economic actions in the United States have been aimed at preparing students to
 - a. become more competitive in the world of work and in university studies.
 - b. advance in technology.
 - c. become more independent learners.
 - d. work in a collaborative environment.
- 5. The Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts
 - a. are adopted by all 50 states.
 - b. place fewer demands on teachers and students.
 - c. are reverse-engineered.
 - d. are most appropriate for the primary grades.
- 6. Reading involves cognitive and activities.
 - a. thinking
 - b. schemata
 - c. semantic
 - d. social
- 7. All of the following are important early reading skills, concepts, and strategies *except*
 - a. hearing and manipulating individual sounds in spoken words.
 - b. decoding words with accuracy, speed, and expression.
 - c. grasping concepts about how printed language looks and works.
 - d. efficiently summarizing large sections of text.
- 8. The relationship between reading and writings is
 - a. nonexistent.
 - b. complementary.
 - c. opposite.
 - d. pragmatic.
- 9. Traditional literacy has broadened in the past decade to include more of what type of media?
 - a. digital
 - b. magazines
 - c. books
 - d. newspapers
- 10. What does research tell us about a teacher's instructional abilities and students' learning?
 - a. These factors are unrelated.
 - b. These factors are marginally related.
 - c. These factors are strongly related.
 - d. These factors are occasionally related.

- 11. What do researchers and policymakers agree is the best hope for closing the achievement gap?
 - a. decreasing class size
 - b. increasing teacher knowledge and skill
 - c. incorporating more independent reading
 - d. implementing research-based curriculum
- 12. When should reading assessments be conducted to be the most effective?
 - a. the end of each reading unit
 - b. the end of each school year
 - c. periodic intervals throughout the year
 - d. before, during and after reading instruction
- 13. Students' literacy processes are best examined by which activity?
 - a. classroom assessments
 - b. teacher informal observation
 - c. daily assignments
 - d. portfolios
- 14. Which practice refers to responding to the specific needs of every child?
 - a. reading reform
 - b. evidence-based instruction
 - c. differentiated instruction
 - d. classroom management
- 15. To achieve the ideal teaching/learning environment, children should be grouped according to
 - a. interests.
 - b. level of attention span.
 - c. learning rates.
 - d. similar abilities and needs.
- 16. What is the optimum number of children for small group instruction?
 - a. 1-5
 - b. 2-6
 - c. 4-8
 - d. 6-10
- 17. What percentage of reading material is incomprehensible to students in 4th grade who read below grade level?
 - a. 30%
 - b. 40%
 - c. 50%
 - d. 60%

- 18. Which act by the U.S. Department of Education initiated reading reform and contained funding specifically targeted to underachieving and high-poverty school populations?
 - a. Reading Excellence Act
 - b. National Literacy Act for Language Minority Children and Youth
 - c. Reading Reform Act
 - d. Literacy Reform Act
- 19. Which of the following was an organization created in the late 1900s to examine research on best teaching practices and to share their findings with the public?
 - a. National Assessment of Education Progress
 - b. U.S. Department of Education
 - c. American Federation of Teachers
 - d. National Reading Panel
- 20. Which of the following is NOT a motivational factor according to Wigfield?
 - a. challenge
 - b. fear
 - c. recognition
 - d. curiosity

Short Answer/Essay Questions

- 1. Describe the political history and reform of literacy education and discuss the effectiveness of those responses.
- 2. Describe the unique skill set of master teachers and how you plan to implement these skills in your own teaching.
- 3. Explain the relationship that exists between acquiring reading and writing skills.
- 4. Name and describe the four components of a highly effective reading instruction program and describe ways you can incorporate these components in the classroom.