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IT’S WORTH IT.
Instructional Coaching to Increase Achievement
What do you think of the tools for coaching for engagement?

Do you have any questions about any aspect of coaching?
1. Why are teacher clarity and formative assessment important for achievement?
2. How do we write learning outcomes?
3. How do we create specific proficiencies?
4. How do we measure achievement?
5. What are learning maps?
WHY TEACHER CLARITY AND FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT ARE IMPORTANT FOR ACHIEVEMENT
Teacher Clarity and Formative Assessment*

- Teacher credibility .90
- Providing formative evaluation .90
- Teacher clarity .77
- Feedback .75
- Concept mapping .75

Flow

- Goals and feedback
- Challenge and skills

Why?

- Increases engagement
- Increases hope
- Increases learning
If you know your curriculum, that's really key.

—Wendy Hopf
• On a scale of 1-10, how intentional are your teachers about what they teach?

• Do they need to do anything differently to be more intentional?
Glossary of Terms

- Guiding questions
- Specific proficiencies
- Formative assessment
- Unit of study
- Enduring understandings
- Essential questions
- Learning targets

workbook pp. 9-11
Guiding Questions

- Preparation improves teaching
- Provide a learning target
- Put proper emphasis on core content
- Support differentiation
- Provide a learning focus rather than an activity focus
- Support formative assessment

workbook p. 12
# Checklist:

## How to Create Great Guiding Questions

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Knowledge

- Planning
- Revising
- Editing
- Rewriting
- Trying a new approach
- Purpose
- Audience
Skills

• Planning
• Revising
• Editing
• Rewriting
• Trying a new approach
Big Ideas

• Writing is an important form of human communication.
• Writing can make a difference.
• Everyone can be a writer.
• Writing is a form of self-expression.
• Writing is a process with stages.
Guiding Questions

• What difference does writing make?
• Why is it true that everyone can become a writer?
• How can writing be used as a form of self-expression, and why is that important?
• What is the writing process, and how can I write, rewrite, revise, edit, and try new approaches to improve writing?
• Which strategies can be used to plan writing?
• Why is writing with the audience and purpose in mind important, and what strategies can writers use to do that?
Unless we can keep students believing that the goal is within reach, they’ll stop trying… [and] when the feedback suggests to me that I’m not making it, leading me to an inference that I’m incapable of making it, then I give up in hopelessness and I stop trying.

—Richard Stiggins
Your Process

- Select a unit you’d like to explore
- Choose a topic
- Keep the Law of Two Feet in mind
Your Task

Using the Guiding Questions Checklist, create guiding questions for a unit you have identified.

(knowledge, skills, and big ideas)
SPECIFIC PROFICIENCIES

workbook p. 26
Specific proficiencies are sentences that state, in exact terms, the knowledge, skills, and big ideas that students need to learn. A specific proficiency describes a discrete item that must be assessed. Specific proficiencies are partial answers to guiding questions.
### Create Specific Proficiencies

#### Specific Proficiency Checklist

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Create Specific Proficiencies

• Ask, “What knowledge, skills, and big ideas do students need to learn?”
• Write short sentences.
• Be concise (simple, not simplistic).
• Be comprehensive.
• Be precise.
Create Specific Proficiencies

Specific Proficiencies for a Writing Unit

**EXAMPLE**

Guiding Question: *What strategies can writers use to plan effectively?*

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Your Task

Using the Specific Proficiency Checklist, create specific proficiencies for the unit you have identified.
Your Partner Task

Using the Specific proficiency checklist to coach each other on how to create more effective (precise and assessable) specific proficiencies

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3.
MEASURES OF ACHIEVEMENT
Your Questions

• How helpful to students is it when they have a clear understanding of their progress?
• How helpful is it to teachers when they have a clear understanding of each student’s progress?
Measures of Achievement

**The Goal:** The teacher knows how well every student is doing, and every student knows how well he or she is doing.
Measures of Achievement

1. Checklists
2. Rubrics
3. Pre-test/Post-test
4. Checks for Understanding
Creating a Checklist

1. Brainstorm all that goes on the checklist
2. Organize each item in a sequence
3. Edit to make the checklist shorter and clearer
### Checklist for Checklists

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<td><strong>Explicit:</strong> Everything important is stated.</td>
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<td><strong>Precise:</strong> Each item is clearly described.</td>
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<td><strong>Easy to Understand:</strong> Use the right words stated in the simplest way.</td>
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**CHECKLIST FOR THE WRITING PROCESS**

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<td>Did I use strategies (such as brain dump, clustering, free writing) to get ideas out of my head?</td>
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<td>Did I use strategies (such as planning maps, the Frame, orderly notes) to organize my ideas?</td>
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<td>Did I write about a topic that I care about?</td>
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<td>Did I shape my writing to speak to a particular audience?</td>
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<td>Did my writing express my chosen voice?</td>
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Your Question

Why would or why wouldn’t a checklist be an effective assessment for the unit you’re exploring?
Rubrics

- Focus on learning within identified boundaries
- Focus on learning outcomes, not learning tasks
- Describe one criteria at a time
- Use language children can easily understand
- Valid
- Comprehensive

workbook p. 42
A good map is both a useful tool and a magic carpet to faraway places.

—Author unknown
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<td>There is no response, or the response is inappropriate.</td>
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<td>Clearly demonstrates attention to task and purpose and chooses evidence, organization, level of language, and writing style according to that task and purpose.</td>
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<td>Consistently uses appropriate grade-level academic and general vocabulary throughout the piece.</td>
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<td>Consistently conforms to the conventions of standard written English. Language and syntax are consistently clear and coherent.</td>
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*workbook p. 44-45*
Why would or why wouldn’t a rubric be the best form of assessment for the unit you’re studying?
Pre and Post-test
Pre-post test

• Create the post-test for your unit
• Ensure that the test is valid
• Ensure that the test is reliable
• Ensure that the text is tied to instruction and learning progressions
• Consider creating a learning map
• Create the pre-test either with the same items as the post-test or other items
Choose Between

Selected Response and Constructed Response
Effective Assessments

Based on Ainsworth, L (2016) *Common Formative Assessments 2.0*

- Are quick and easy to use
- Use clearly worded questions
  - Prompt application of knowledge
- Use proper academic vocabulary
- Have the right number of questions
- Are fair and bias free

workbook p. 42
Roadblocks to Effective Items

Based on Ainsworth, L (2016) Common Formative Assessments 2.0

• Unclear Directions
• Ambiguous Statements
• Unintentional Clues
• Complex Phrasing
• Difficult Vocabulary

workbook p. 42
Consider: what would a post-test look like for your unit?

Would a pre-test/post-test assessment be the best way to measure learning?
Checks for Understanding

- Exit Tickets
- White Boards
- Response Cards
- Clickers
- Thumbs up, thumbs down
- Thumbs wiggly
- Turn-to your neighbor
- Hot Potato
- Soccer, Hockey, Basketball
- Graphic organizers
- Writing game shows
- Jigsaw or gallery work
- Four corners bell work
- Quizzes or tests
- Paraphrasing
- Group answers
- Writing
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Checks for Understanding

Effective use of checks for understanding:

- 5:1 ratio
- Ask questions of all students
- Connect and redirect
- Non-verbals
- Signals
- Try progress charts
- Consider pretests

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Checks for Understanding

Proficiency Assessment Form

For each guiding question list the specific that pertains to the question, then determine the best assessment method from the list provided in the previous pages.

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Your Task

Using the Proficiency Assessment Form, identify checks for understanding you could use to assess learning for the specific proficiencies you have created.
4.
LEARNING MAPS
Learning maps are graphic organizers that highlights the knowledge, skills, and big ideas that students should get from a lesson, unit, or course. The map depicts the most important information to be learned and how the different pieces of learning are connected.
Learning Maps

Why?

• Seeing supports learning
• Keeps students and teachers on track
• Shows the big picture
• Structures the beginning and ending of lessons

workbook p. 48
Learning Maps

Why?

- Supports repeated review
- Makes connections explicit
- Helps struggling note-takers
- Is a living study guide
Learning Maps
## Quality Map Checklist

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Creating Learning Maps

Step 1: Identify knowledge, skills, and big ideas
Step 2: Display everything
Step 3: Organize
Step 4: Connect
Step 5: Refine

workbook pp. 50-52
Creating Learning Maps

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How to Use Learning Maps

• Introducing The Unit
• Daily Use
• End of Unit
Why would or why wouldn’t a learning map support learning in the unit you are exploring?
The Process

- Identify
- Improve
- Learn

(workbook p. 58)
I guess there are two sides to watching myself on video. Sometimes I would watch my lessons and think about all those things I am stressing out about. I would think, ‘Wow. I wish they could hear my thinking.’ Sometimes I would see the student needs and I would have to kind of change what I was doing. All the things that a student sees, I could see them. I could see the difference between the perceptions I wanted the students to have versus what it really looked like ---it was right there. It was very telling.

Jaycee Gonzalez
Identify

- current reality
- goal
- strategy
Identify Achievement

- Unwrap the standards
- Develop guiding questions (Learning Intentions)
- Create specific proficiencies (success criteria)
- Create Assessments
- Establish a goal
Goal

80% of students get 5 out of 5 on paragraph checklist
The goal was essential. Without the goal I really think they would have just spun in circles for months.

Dr. Marti Alford
Strategies

• checklist
• learning maps
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What questions do you have about the “Identify” stage of coaching for achievement.
The Impact Cycle
Learn

- checklists
- modeling
The goal was something that we adjusted and came back to and worked on for a long time and she persisted through it. I think the support I was able to give her---we looked at some research, the content planning process was pretty eye opening to help her see how complex writing is. There were many times I positioned myself in the class as a co-teacher. I might not have been modeling but I was there to just bounce ideas off of if she got stuck in the middle of a lesson. I remember one time she said “when things get really, really hard in the middle of a classroom my default is to just stop everything and do something totally different. So, one of the reasons I positioned myself as a co-teacher in the classroom was that when it got hard in their writing, and it was kind of messy and all over the place, and she did not know what to do I could just offer a question or two to get us thinking about how we could keep going with writing and not quit. Don’t stop the lesson. Let’s push through it.

Marci Gonzalez
What questions do you have about the “Learn” stage of coaching
The Impact Cycle

- Identify
- Improve
- Learn
Improve

• confirm direction
• monitor progress
• invent improvements
• plan next actions
When you hit a goal, you feel like you have actually accomplished something in the classroom. It is motivating, and no matter how hard a day gets or how many times you feel like you failed you know that you have accomplished something and you can hang on to that and get motivated to set another goal after that goal.

Marci Gonzalez
None of us were willing to give up because Jaycee was so invested in her students, and Marci was so invested in Jacee, and I was so invested in Marci. So when those students succeeded, when they reached their goal and when they understood what a great thing they’d done and how important it was—that was the reward. If I never do anything else in my career, the work we did is some of the most rewarding work I’ve ever done.

Martha Alford
What questions do you have about the “Improve” stage or anything else about coaching?
I think there are teachers who are born with a teacher’s heart. Those people realize they have a limited amount of time to pour knowledge and confidence and the right amount of challenge into the students that come into their classroom. I think Jacee is one of those people. I think she’s predisposed to be concerned. She had a diverse group of children. She had those who would have succeeded without a lot of instruction and support. Then she had a couple who might never have succeeded. I really believe that this goal, and Marci and Jacee working together is so big in the success of those students who really never had success. It may make all the difference in their lives because now they know they can succeed.

Martha Alford