

The Primary Comprehension Toolkit: Grades K–2



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The Primary Comprehension Toolkit DVD-ROM is a start-anywhere, follow-your-own-interests, menu-driven professional resource; click on the section that you think you'll find most helpful.



The Active Literacy Classroom

Using slides from demonstration classrooms, Anne and Steph narrate the instructional practices that promote active literacy.

Topics include: ■ Set Up a Literate Environment ■ Create a Culture of Thinking ■ Explicit Instruction and the Gradual Release of Responsibility ■ Social Interaction: Co-constructing Meaning ■ Making Thinking Visible ■ Assessment



Reading, Writing, and Research in Science and Social Studies

An annotated slideshow, rich with samples of student work and classroom photographs, describes how to merge instruction with content in science and social studies.



Component Walkthrough

An author-narrated electronic overview explains the *Primary Toolkit's* components and how they are used.



Lesson Walkthrough

An animated walkthrough of the lesson's features will help you make the most of the *Primary Toolkit's* carefully crafted instructional design.

Research Articles

Here you can download and review key research articles that support the *Primary Toolkit* pedagogy. Research articles include: ■ “Comprehension Instruction in the Primary Grades,” by P. David Pearson and Nell Duke ■ “Make Thinking Visible,” by Ron Ritchhart and David Perkins ■ “Filling the Great Void: Why We Should Bring Nonfiction Instruction into the Early Grade Classroom,” by Nell Duke, Susan Bennett Armistead, and Ebony M. Roberts ■ “Nonfiction Inquiry: Using Real Reading and Writing to Explore the World,” by Stephanie Harvey



Printable Resources

In addition to providing all of the lesson resources—lesson guides, thinksheets, rubrics, tracking sheets, and more—in an electronic format, Printable Resources also includes full-color articles from the *Source Book of Short Text*.

Special Feature!

Comprehension in Action: Three Classroom Videos

Three half-hour videos show the authors teaching *Primary Toolkit* lessons. Anne models how to use an “I Learned, I Wonder, Wow!” chart to teach a strategy. Steph demonstrates how to merge thinking with new learning. Primary teacher Brad Buhrow teaches his students how to apply reading strategies in science and social studies.

