

Four-Block™ Literacy Framework

Target Audience: K-12 Teachers

Teacher Outcomes:

- Awareness Level:
 - To develop an understanding of the components of 4-Block Literacy Model
- Skill Level:
 - Consciously develop lesson plans and activities for the four literacy blocks
- Implementation Level:
 - Implement activities and strategies within the 4 Blocks that will positively impact student achievement
 - Develop a classroom reading culture

Student Outcomes:

- Increased ability to read and write with fluency
- Increased comprehension

Data Analysis/Pre-Assessment Options:

- MAP, ITBS, DRA, Gates MacGinitie, or other formal assessments
- Running records, and other informal assessments
- Teacher-created writing assessments
- 4-Block Walkthrough
- Teacher efficacy survey

Content/Modules:

1. Overview of Four-Block™ Literacy Framework and what administrators need to know
2. Implementing the Guided Reading Block
3. Implementing the Working with Words Block
4. Implementing the Writing Block
5. Implementing the Self-Selected Reading Block
6. Using Conferencing in Reading and Writing Effectively
7. Adapting for Kindergarten: Building Blocks™
8. Adapting for Upper Level: Big Blocks™

Possible Resources: books by Pat Cunningham, Dottie Hall, Cheryl Sigmon, and a variety of other resources

Evaluation/Post-Assessment:

- 4-Block Walkthrough
- Student end of the year reading data
- Student writing assessment data
- Teacher efficacy survey

Fee: Based on the Individual District's Plan

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