

# INCLUSIVE PRACTICES FOR SMALL GROUP INSTRUCTION





















• Appropriate for K-12

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- Teachers target instruction for specific group of students, model strategies, assess and guide in-the-moment
- Follows effective, purposeful lesson design
- A powerful way to reinforce and to explicitly teach multiple strategies and skills that you would like students to be able to use independently
- Students increase stamina for working independently and have increased ownership of learning



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- Allows teachers to observe learning up close and challenge them at the edge of their zone of proximal development
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- Uses literacy and numeracy screeners and assessments to target instruction
- Honors classroom assessments, conferences and observations
- Honors street level data
- Flexible and fluid groupings





- Aligns with inclusive practices
  - High ceiling , low floor
  - Safety and trust in small group
  - Encourages risk-taking
- Aligns with Tier 2 interventions
- Students engage in collaborative learning



### **Getting Started**

Class and Learner Profiles What are you noticing?

Consider

ACT, SNAP, Writing Samples, Conferences, Classroom Assessments, Observations Self-Assessments; Exit Slips

#### SNAP Number Sense and Operations Class Profile

Teacher:\_\_\_\_\_Year:\_\_\_\_\_





### Getting Started

### Instructional Decisions

Whole class instruction for skills MOST students need

Appendix I

- Small group instruction for skills SOME students need
- Being intentional with gradual release of responsibility



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## What might you see? The versions are endless!!













### **Key Elements for Success**

- Clear structure for classroom routines
- Plan for students, plan for instruction
- Ongoing feedback
- Ongoing assessments and observations
- Student self-reflections
- Fluid, flexible groups



### Areas we need to focus on???

- Targeted instruction- data analysis
- Numeracy– vertical surfaces
- Meaningful learning experiences for stations or centres
- Alignment between classroom instruction and intervention groups

# Supporting Staff

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- Provide opportunities for teachers to see it in action
- Professional development on assessments to drive instruction
- Build school resources
- After school collab, team time, department meetings
- Encourage participation in after school workshops
- Help teachers create dedicated spaces for small group instruction
- Helping teachers to build structures for class management
- P/VP presentations and collaborations