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CONNECT: An Evidence-Based Practice Approach to Professional Development

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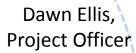
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Results from Quick Poll

What is your experience with CONNECT Modules?

I have heard of CONNECT Modules, but have not visited the site or used the resources.

(4 Responses) = 50%

I have visited the CONNECT Modules site, but have not yet used the resources.

(1 Responses)

- 13%

I have used the CONNECT Modules in my courses/professional development sessions before.

(3 Responses)



38%

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Context: Increased Attention to PD Quality & Impact

Effective professional development

Increase in teachers' knowledge and use of evidence-based practice

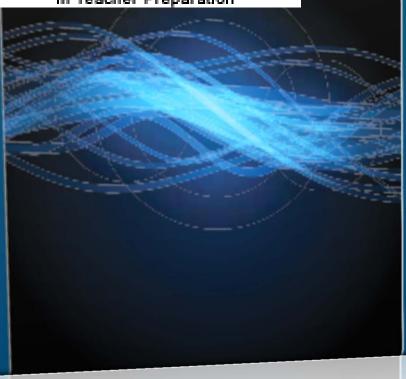
Improved child and family outcomes



Context: Focus on Clinical Practice



The Standard of Excellence in Teacher Preparation



TRANSFORMING
TEACHER EDUCATION
THROUGH
CLINICAL PRACTICE:
A NATIONAL STRATEGY
TO PREPARE
EFFECTIVE TEACHERS

Fall, 2010

Step 1: Dilemma Step 2: Question Step 3: Evidence

Step 4: Decision

Step 5: Evaluation



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Context: Practitioners are Expected to Use Evidence-Based Practice



Context: PD Providers are Expected to Incorporate EBP into PD





Evidence-Based Practice is.....

identifying decision making_process specific research-bthat Integrates the best available research practices tevidence with family & been validated thre professional wisdom & rigorous eview provalues

Buysse & Wesley, 2006; Buysse, Wesley, Snyder, & Winton, 2006, Thompson, & Harris, 2005

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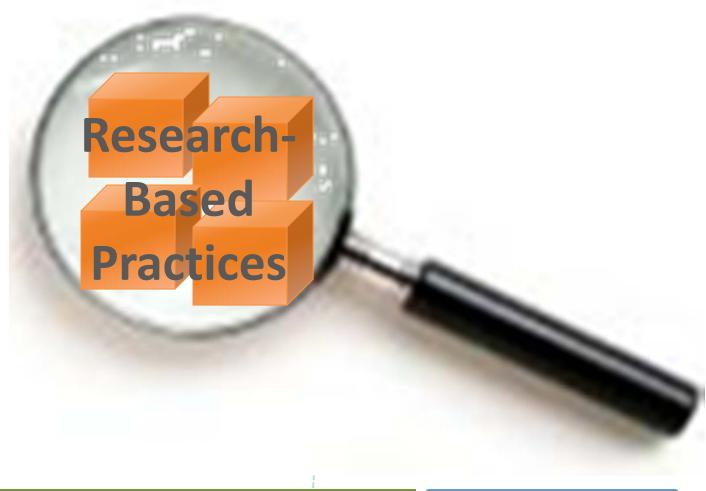
Two Components of Evidence-Based Professional Development

The PD content
focuses on specific
research-based
teaching and
intervening practices

The PD delivery focuses on evidence-based methods for building practitioners' knowledge and application of evidence-based practices

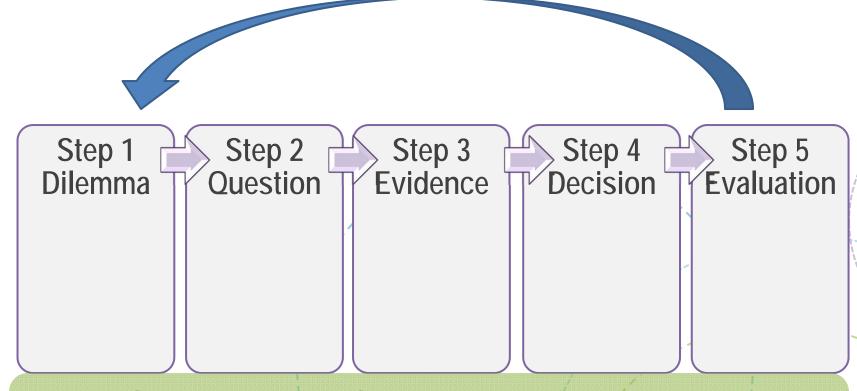


CONNECT Modules: Practice-focused approach





Innovation: An Approach for Incorporating EBP into PD



5 Step Learning Cycle - Process for Making Evidence-Based Practice Decisions



Our Target Audience

- 2-year and 4-year college faculty
- Other professional development providers





What Faculty and PD Providers Want



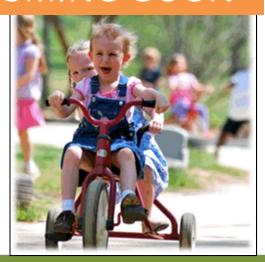
- Short video clips that illustrate practice
- Activities
- Interactive resources
- 24/7 availability
- •Flexibility & ease of use



Now Available (English and Spanish versions)

- Module 1: Embedded Interventions
- Module 2: Transition
- Module 3: Communication for Collaboration
- Module 4: Family-Professional Partnerships
- Module 5: Assistive Technology Interventions
- Module 6: Dialogic Reading Practices

COMING SOON



- Tiered Instruction
 - Portuguese translation of Module 1



Today's Agenda

Step 1 Dilemma

You will identify your dilemma

Step 2
Question

We will pose a question

Step 3 Evidence

- Research
- Policies
- Content of an EBP approach to PD
- EBK

Step 4 Decision

Integrate
evidence &
make a decision
to plan
implementation

Step 5
Evaluation

Identify
how to
evaluate
impact of
your plan

Focused on the practice of an EBP approach to professional development



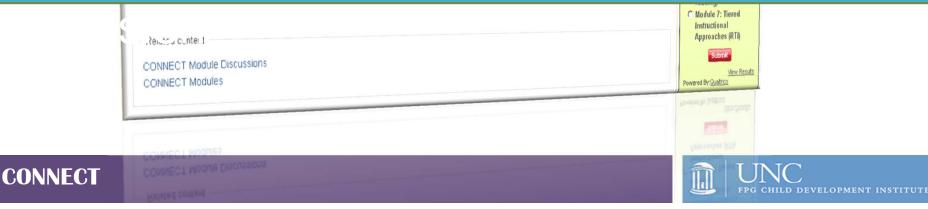
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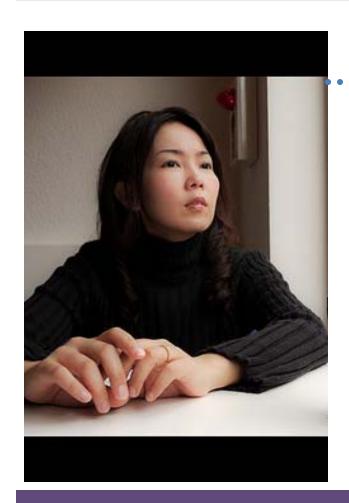


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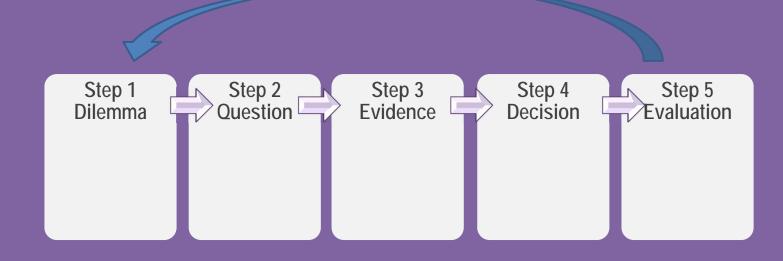
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What challenges do you have embedding evidence-based practice into your coursework?



III. Workshop Content



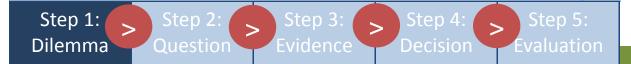
Step 1: Dilemma

How will I be able to address Luke's learning goals while trying to address the needs of all my other children in my class?

I want to use an EBP approach to PD, but I'm not sure if the CONNECT 5-Step Learning Cycle will be more effective than what I am currently doing?



Module 1







Step 2: Question



For preservice students and practitioners participating in professional development, is the CONNECT module 5-Step Learning Cycle an effective method to promote learning about and applying evidence-based practices?

Step 1: > Step 2: > Step 3: > Step 4: > Step 5:
Dilemma Question Evidence Decision Evaluation



Step 3: Evidence

- Research
- Policies
- Definition/Demonstration of Practice
- Experience-based knowledge





Themes from Research about Effective PD Approaches

- Focused on specific instructional strategies rather than general content
- Sustained over time and of considerable duration
- Infused with active learning opportunities, guided practice and corrective feedback
- Connected with program standards, curricula, and assessments

Step 1: Step 2: Step 3: Step 4: Step 5: Evidence Decision Evaluation

-Winton, 2010



Policies Related to PD





Accreditation

Standards









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Decision

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Modules are Connected to Standards

Instructor Guide: Standards for Module 1

Personnel Preparation Standards

The content and resources of **Module 1: Embedded Interventions** align with the standards of national professional organizations for associate and baccalaureate personnel preparation programs.

CEC / DEC Initial Standards

Knowledge and Skill Base for Early Childhood Special Education/Early Intervention (Birth to age 8)





DEC = Division for Early Childhood

NAEYC Core Standards for Initial and Advanced

Early Childhood Preparation Programs



NAEYC = National Association for the Education of Young Children

Learning Objectives for Module 1: Embedded Interventions

After completing the module and accompanying activities, learners will be able to:

- Explain what is meant by embedded interventions to promote participation in inclusive settings.
- Use a decision-making process to help a child participate more fully in an inclusive setting through embedded interventions.

Step 1: Dilemma

Step 2: Question Step 3: Evidence

Step 4: Decision Step 5: Evaluation

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Aligning CONNECT Modules with NAEYC and DEC Personnel Preparation Standards

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Definition of Practice

The 5-Step Learning Cycle™

is... an approach for organizing PD content and activities to promote learners' abilities to integrate multiple sources of evidence to make decisions about practice dilemmas.

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Step 3: Evidence Dilemma Question Decision



Demonstration of Practice

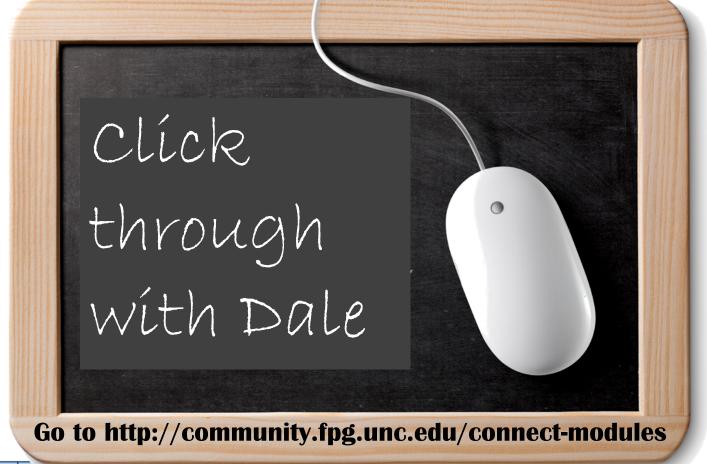
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Demonstration of Practice: Technical Aspects of CONNEÇT Modules



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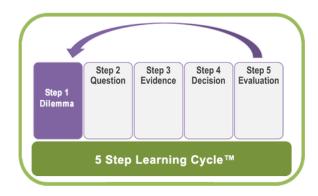
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To learn more about the cycle, click on the step to read the descriptions below or watch the video clip: CONNECT Modules: 5-Step Learning Cycle™.



Step 1. Dilemma

In **Step 1**, the learner considers a realistic dilemma to be solved. The dilemma is presented from the perspectives of family members and / or the practitioners.

VIDEO CLIP: CONNECT Modules 5-Step Learning Cycle™

(1:40 minutes)





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More Getting Started Resources

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- ■ FPG Snapshot: Evidence Based Practice
 Is this your first time using an evidence-based practice approach in your professional development? Download this PDF document for a quick overview of EBP.
- Overview of CONNECT Module Development, Design, Evaluation and Implementation A document for professional development curricula designers wanting to know more on how the CONNECT Modules were developed.





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Featured Discussion

Beyond the Inner Circle: Busting Barriers to Implementation of the CONNECT Modules By Marilou Hyson

CONNECT Modules provide a rich resource to faculty and PD providers, so why doesn't everyone use them? Are there new ways to "slice and dice" the CONNECT Module pie? Join Marilou Hyson for a discussion about barriers to module use and ways to bust through those barriers.

Read More and Comment



Discussions by CONNECT Module

Module 1 Embedded Interventions

Embedding Module 1 into an In-Service Setting by Sandy Ginther and Linda

Robinson (10+comments)

Setting: In-Service Primary discipline: Early childhood special education Format. Face-to-Face



Module 2 Transition

Transition and Therapy Services
by Christine Myers
(10+ comments)

Setting: 4-year IHE
Primary discipline: Occupational
Therapy



Communication for Collaboration

Module 3

Communication - it's more than just words by Hatice Dogan (20+ comments)

Setting: Graduate Primary discipline: Early childhood Course: Families and Teams (Interdisciplinary) Format: Face-to-Face



Module 4 Family-Professional Partnerships

Using Module 4 Family-Professional Partnerships to Enhance Students' Understanding of Families and the NAEYC Professional Preparation Standards by Nancy Grausam (30+ comments)



Setting: 2-year IHE
Primary discipline: Early childhood
Course: Young Children with Special Needs
Format Face-to-Face

Embedding Module 1 into a College Course

by Johnna Darragh (10+comments)

Setting: 2-year IHE
Primary discipline: Early childhood
Courses: Introduction to ECE,
Introduction to Special Education
Format. Online and Face-to-Face



CONNECT Module on Transition Supports National EC Priorities by Rena Hallam (20+ comments)

Setting: 4-year IHE
Primary discipline: Early childhood
Subject: Early childhood policies



Using CONNECT Modules to teach graduate students how they can use evidence based practices by Susan Fowler (10+ comments)

Setting: Graduate Primary discipline: Special Education Format. Hybrid (Face-to-Face and Online)



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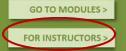
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Module 4 focuses on practices related to building trusting family-professional

partnerships when working with families of young children.

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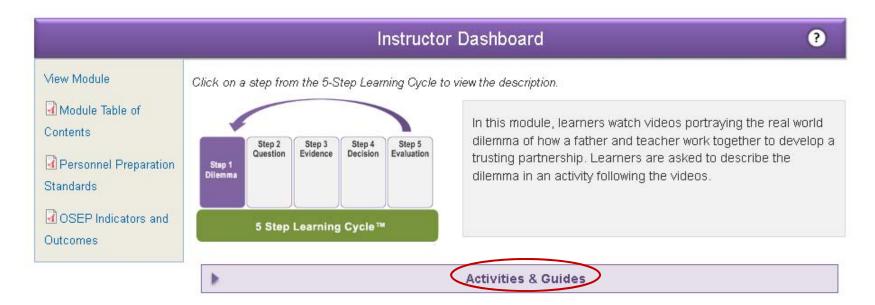
Module 4: Family-Professional Partnerships

Learning Objectives

 Describe effective practices for developing trusting family-professional partnerships in early care and education programs.

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 Use a decision-making process to select partnership-oriented practices linked to (a) developing an initial friendly relationship, (b) making shared decisions, and (c) developing a trusting partnership with families to address challenging issues.





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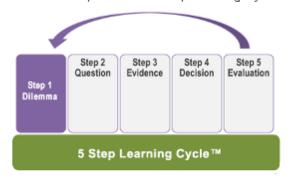
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In this module, learners watch videos portraying the real world dilemma of how a father and teacher work together to develop a trusting partnership. Learners are asked to describe the dilemma in an activity following the videos.

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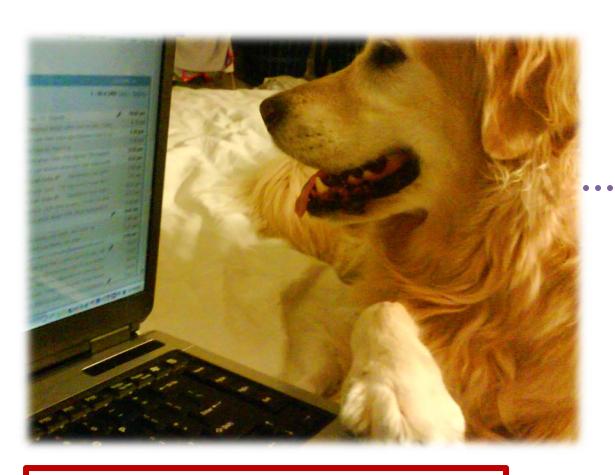
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Dilemma

Question

Step 3: Evidence Decision



Step 3: Evidence

- Research
- Policies
- Definition/Demonstration of Practice
- Experience-based knowledge





Experience-Based Knowledge: Voices from the Field

Tips and Techniques

Using the Instructor Dashboard

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Decision

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Module 6: Interactive and Dialogic Reading

Practica Course (Undergraduate Seniors)

Step 1: Step 2: Step 3: Step 4: Step 5: Evidence Decision Evaluation



Dialogic reading is a specific type of interactive reading that relies on a set of strategies called PEER (Prompt-Evaluate-Expand-Repeat) designed to create a conversation with children and help them take an active role in storytelling.





Dialogic Reading Strategies:

- O Before reading ...introduce the title/author, ask a question to create interest in the book
- O During reading ...use CROWD prompts & PEER sequence
- After reading ...ask questions to help children recall the story & make connections to their lives







Students implemented dialogic reading in student teacher placements with entire class (Pre-K & K)



Commented on usefulness of planning handout



Self-assessment and faculty supervisor consultation using Handout 6.5



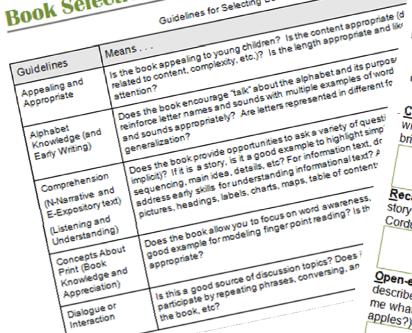
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Handout 6.3

Book Selection for Dialogic Reading Handout 6.2

Guidelines for Selecting Books for Young Children





CROWD Strategy Planning Sheet

Title:

Author:

Create at least 2 prompts for each category for your book that you can use to prompt and Create at least < prompts for each category for your book that you can use to prompt a build upon children's language during dialogic reading, include the page number that corresponds to the appropriate opportunity to use each prompt

Completion- The reader creates an incomplete sentence to prompt the children to come up **Completion-** The reader creates an incomplete sentence to prompt the children to come with the appropriate response (i.e. fill-in-the-blank). (Ex: Lily's purse is ______ and she

Recall. The reader asks a question designed to help children remember key elements of the Story. (Ex: What happened when Jose went back to school? What was missing from Corduroy's overalls? How did Stephanie wear her hair?)

Open-ended- The reader asks a question or makes a statement that requires children to Deen-ended- the reader asks a question or makes a statement that requires children to describe part of the story in their own words beyond just a "yes" or "no" response. (Ex: Tell and the story all of those me what you think is happening in this picture. How is Josie going to carry all of those

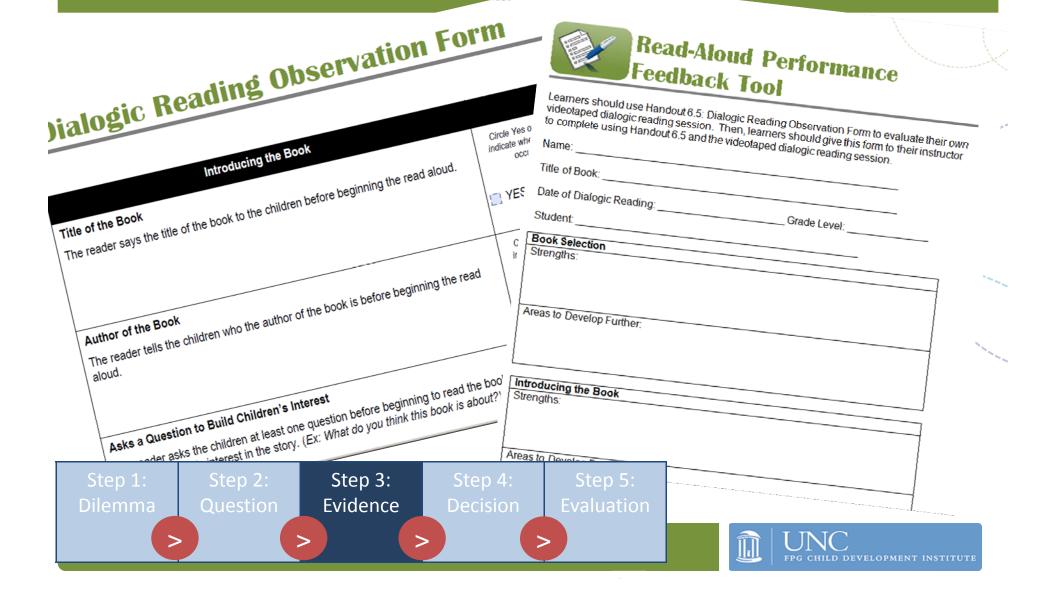
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Handout 6.7





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Student comment at our conference after she completed her second reading.

"Oh my gosh that was so much fun! I felt like I was in a conversation with the children about the book. The children were so engaged and had such great responses to my questions. I can't wait to do that again."



Student comment from this fall after second reading.

"The children were so better engaged today because my reading was so much more intentional. I wasn't afraid to let them talk. In fact, it was exciting to hear their connections to the story."



Another student comment from this fall after second reading.

"The planning form forced me to be more purposeful and intentional and helped me to understand all the many components needed to have a successful read aloud. I really have not focused on Distancing and now know why it is important to do so."



Questions?





Step 3: Evidence

- Research
- Policies
- Definition/Demonstration of Practice
- Experience-based knowledge





Step 4: Decision

Unique Perspectives & Contexts of the Dilemma

Evidence

- Research
- Policies
- Experience-based knowledge

Integrate

Decision

- Plan for implementation
- Identify, review and select strategies

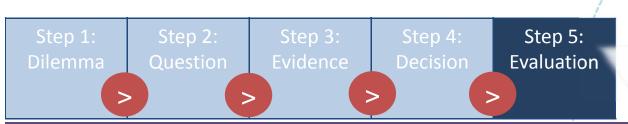
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Step 5: Evaluation

•How do you plan on evaluating your students / participants after using the modules?





Post your comment online: Integrating Evidence, Making Decision, & Creating a Plan



What are your next steps in using the modules?





IV. Closing and Evaluation



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