

Building Success for Struggling Readers Twelve Instructional Non-Negotiables

	Bridging (Extension)	Stretching (Enrichment)	Habituating (Reinforcement)
Purpose	Build a foundation	Promote new learning	Reinforce existing learning
Text Challenge	Frustration below 90%	Instructional 90-94%	Independent 95–100%
Meaning	low	moderate	high
Fluency	low	moderate	high
Context	teacher model	teacher as coach	teacher as facilitator
Sample Activities	direct instruction mini lessons daily read-aloud demonstrations think-aloud LEA	instructional shared reading guided reading tutorial setting partner reading interactive	independent buddy reading repetition literacy centers application literature circles

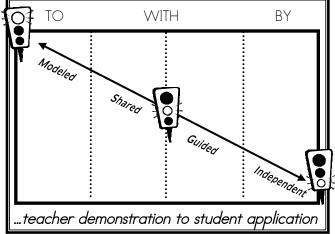
Differentiation is synonymous with responsive teaching, in which we play close attention to students.

This cannot be scripted.

RTI from All Sides (p. 42) by Mary Howard (Heinemann, 2009)

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The Gradual Release of Responsibility Model Pearson & Gallagher, 1983



Key Informal Assessments

running record miscue analysis assessment wall anecdotal record portfolio authentic samples spelling analysis word identification writing sample response log conferencing self-assessment peer-assessment listening to reading questioning kid watching feedback in context student think-aloud discussion rubric checklist interview informal inventory questionnaire reading survey self-questioning interest survey strategy reflection retelling literature response sketch/illustration reader's notebook writing prompt





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The Twelve Non-Negotiables

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