Teaching Writing Grades 7–12 in an Era of Assessment

Passion and Practice

Coverage of Common Core State Standards



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A practical guide written by teachers, for teachers, all about teaching writing, this book uses a unique approach in which veteran teachers share authentic, proven practices in the teaching of writing in grades 7-12 along with samples of student writing that confirm the value of the pedagogy. Teaching Writing Grades 7-12 in an Era of Assessment is an ideal guide for those who have not had access to professional development in teaching writing. In it, readers get the benefit of hearing first hand from real people teaching real students. In addition to presenting detailed, specific pedagogy appropriate for seventh grade, eighth grade, and high school students, the book also addresses a wide range of students, including English Language Learners and reluctant writers and readers.

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Review:

"Teaching Writing Grades 7-12 in an Era of Assessment is a thoughtful, student-centered book about teaching writing and reading that offers dozens of pragmatic ideas for teaching in the "era of assessment." These authors clearly understand pedagogy and provide readers with many excellent ideas and resources for improving writing instruction. I see this book as one that readers would set on the corner of the desk in their classroom and use again and again. Perhaps the best thing about it: all of these teachers are great writers themselves. Their prose is inviting and assuring. New teachers would be heartened by reading this book." - Daniel Boster, Ralston High School, Ralston, NE

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