



A Special way of looking at Common Core Standards for Students with Disabilities

A Newsletter for Special Education Teachers Addressing Common Core Challenges
Educational Equity For All

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Science Supports and Strategies

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California, the Adventure Starts Here!

Twig Science is a complete TK–8 NGSS program built for California, in which students investigate, design, build, and understand phenomena using a blend of hands-on, digital, video, and print resources.

Twig Science California challenges students to experience real-world STEM roles and become creative problem solvers, making sense of engaging phenomena and deepening their knowledge, skills, and confidence.

Whether in print or digital, Twig Science is flexible and fun, providing teachers with a system of support to bring aha! moments to every lesson.

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History/Social Studies Supports and Strategies



Students of History

Your home for innovATIVE and engaging social STUDIES lesson plans for the 21ST century classroom!

WANT FREE CLASSROOM RESOURCES?



Download Our Free Sample Pack! Over 30 pages of free social studies resources can be had right here! Just sign up, download, and start using them in your classroom right away! t.ly/pw6Pb

Math Supports and Strategies



Four principles of deeply effective math teaching

If you were asked what were the most important principles in mathematics teaching, what would you say? I wasn't really asked, but I started thinking, and came up with these basic habits that can keep your math teaching on the right track.

[Principle 1: Let It Make Sense](#)

[Principle 2: Remember the Goals](#)

[Principle 3: Know Your Tools](#)

[Principle 4: Living and Loving Math](#)

<https://www.homeschoolmath.net/teaching/teaching.php>

English Supports and Strategies



LESSON PLANS

English/Language Arts Lessons

This section is filled with Language Arts lessons from kindergarten through high school. The lessons span subtopics such as literature, reading comprehension, writing, and more. Many of the lessons are aligned to Common Core State Standards. With that said, these lessons can easily be integrated into an existing English Language Arts curriculum. The lessons you see here have been created by real teachers working in schools across the United States - teachers from our Teacher.org community. t.ly/ONA7A

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Universal Design for Learning

UDL for Teachers

PRINCIPLE: **ENGAGEMENT**

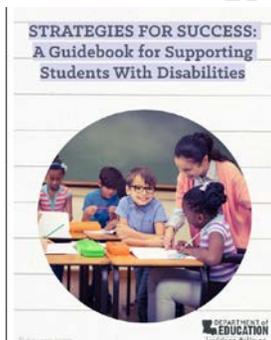
ENGAGEMENT

- [\(7\) Recruiting Interest](#)
- [\(8\) Effort and Persistence](#)
- [\(9\) Self Regulation](#)



<https://udlforteachers.com/category/principle-3/>

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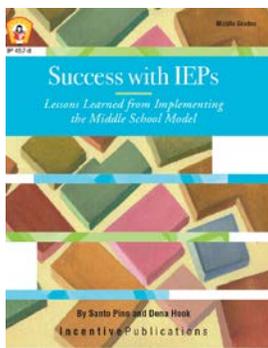
The purpose of this guidebook is to provide principals and school system leaders with resources to create strong support plans. It is organized around four proven strategies for improving the academic achievement of students with disabilities:

1. Identify disabilities early and accurately;
2. Provide high-quality instruction to ensure the achievement of ambitious IEP goals;
3. Strengthen instruction with specialized supports and related services;
4. Coordinate effective transition planning and implementation.

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Individual Educational Plan Connections



Success with IEPs

This book addresses positive ways to meet the needs of all middle school students, especially those with learning disabilities. When parents and school systems work together, the middle school becomes a successful learning environment for every student.

Written from two distinct perspectives—a middle school principal/director and a parent advocate—this book presents practical advice for involving parents and the community, writing successful IEPs, creative flexible schedules, and meeting the needs of all students.

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WEBSITES AND RESOURCES

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t.ly/R9B8v

Professional Development Special Education Symposium



Trusted Special Education legal information, attended by Special Education practitioners throughout the state.

This popular professional development activity attracts hundreds of educational professionals from across the state each year. Designed to keep special education practitioners current on the legal parameters that shape their work, the SES helps provide clarity on special education legal expectations so that resources can be focused on student needs. All topics are delivered by F3 attorneys, leaders in special education law and widely regarded to be among the best and most-informed, practical presenters in the industry.

<https://www.f3law.com/page.php?id=143>



The Voice of Witness Education Program offers free, Common Core-aligned lesson plans to accompany each of our books, implement oral history projects, and support English Language Learners.

We have seen firsthand how Voice of Witness stories resonate with students, inspiring empathy, action, and a deeper connection to the world around them. By engaging with VOW lesson plans, students discover their own voices and build stronger relationships with social justice and human rights issues.

All of VOW's lesson plans are Common Core-aligned and reflect our goals for advancing the "Five C" student skills:

- Communication
- Critical thinking
- Creative literacy
- Cultural proficiency
- Community engagement

The lesson plans are adaptable for a variety of students in many educational settings, though they are written with students grades 9-12 in mind. Click here to learn more about VOW and Common Core, and consider starting a VOW book club with your students or colleagues.

<http://voiceofwitness.org/education/lesson-plans/>