



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



Incorporates literacy skills

Exposure to science vocabulary, sight words, and much more. <https://www.science4us.com/>

History/Social Studies Supports and Strategies



A Walk Through is an engaging and interactive educational presentation utilizing friendly competition and lively retelling of common core history curriculum; “Walk Through California” for fourth grade, “Walk Through the American Revolution” for fifth grade, and “Walk Through the Ancient World” for sixth grade. Many consider the 2 ½ hour experience to be an unforgettable “in-school field trip.”

Learn about Walk Through California
Learn about Walk Through American Revolution
Learn about Walk Through Ancient World

<https://californiaweekly.com/>

Math Supports and Strategies



<https://t.ly/JJAWY>

7 Effective Strategies for Teaching Elementary Math

1. Make it hands-on
2. Use visuals and images
3. Find opportunities to differentiate learning
4. Ask students to explain their ideas
5. Incorporate storytelling to make connections to real-world scenarios
6. Show and tell new concepts
7. Let your students regularly know how they're doing

English Supports and Strategies



Launching young readers!

Reading Rockets

<https://t.ly/B0rdp>

Our library provides teachers with effective, research-based classroom strategies to help build and strengthen literacy skills in print awareness, phonological awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, comprehension, and writing.

Each strategy in the library includes:

- Instructions on how to use the strategy
- Classroom video
- Downloadable templates
- Examples
- Recommended children's books to use with the strategy
- Differentiation for second language learners, students of varying reading skill, students with learning disabilities, and younger learners
- Supporting research

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..... Giving kids what they need to succeed

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Universal Design for Learning

CAST PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

Until learning has no limits

Top 10 UDL Tips for Designing an Engaging Learning Environment

1. Create clear, specific goals
2. Minimize distractions
3. Present flexible assessment options
4. Provide frequent, formative feedback
5. Incorporate authentic and relevant examples
6. Ensure resources and supports meet the demands of a task
7. Increase opportunities for collaboration
8. Share examples and non-examples
9. Offer time for active reflection on learning and engagement
10. Support risk-taking

<https://t.ly/LdJRX>

21st Century Learning



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<https://nearpod.com/how-it-works>

Individual Educational Plan Connections



PATHS TO LITERACY

Data Sheets for Tracking IEP Goals

Here are three data collection sheets that I created to aid me in documenting student progress. As you can see there are 4 rows to put the objectives on. I typically type the main goal on top and put the benchmark on the rows. If I don't need all 4, I delete what I don't need so that I can have more space to write comments if I need to. I typically input everything on the form electronically and print the sheets as needed for each session.

This data aids in supporting your progress notes and helps with remembering what happened when with the comments you write. This is also vital at IEP meetings or meetings with parents. They want to know how their child is doing and to be able to share this information with them and their classroom teachers is invaluable. <https://t.ly/MGdAW>

WEBSITES AND RESOURCES

<https://t.ly/mqvDA>

<https://t.ly/YrNA8>

<https://t.ly/zbLPZ>

Professional Development



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31 DAYS OF KID-FRIENDLY HALLOWEEN STEM ACTIVITIES



The ultimate goal of hands-on STEM activities at the elementary level (and even at the middle school and high school level) is to help children gain an interest in STEM fields.

STEM fields are jobs that use elements of science, technology, engineering, and math and range from careers like teaching to becoming a doctor,

or even becoming an astronaut. <https://t.ly/JJADZ>