

Putting It All Together

Presenter Notes



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Materials

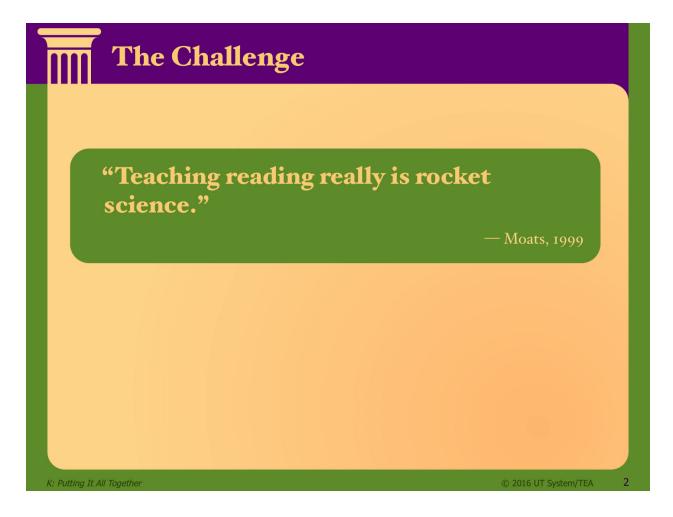
Participant Materials

- Teacher's edition
- Blank piece of paper
- Sticky notes



Slide I—Title Slide

Now we'll put it all together.

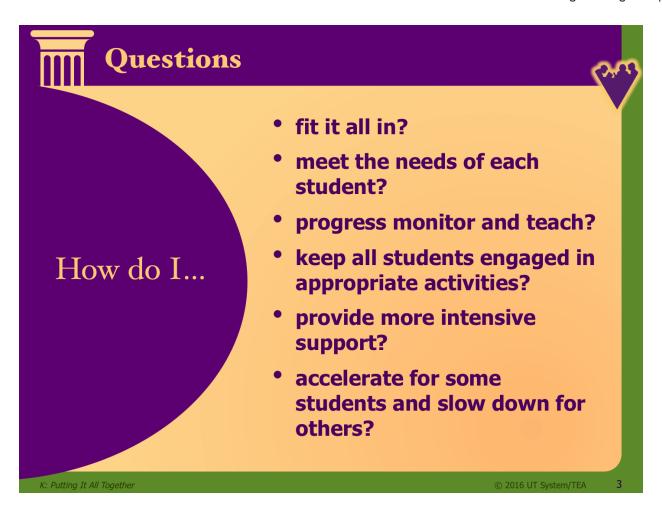


Slide 2—The Challenge

Louisa Moats often says that teaching reading is as complicated as rocket science. Providing effective instruction for 25 or more students at once is a challenge. However, now more than ever before we know how to teach about 95% of children how to be successful readers and writers.

Reference

Moats, 1999



Slide 3—Questions

Activity

With your partner, brainstorm for 30 seconds about some questions you have, or a new teacher might have, about integrating everything you learned in this Academy into your class.

Pause 30 seconds for participants to think of questions. Point to or call on one person at each table to share a question.

Click to reveal the questions.

Here are some questions that both new and experienced teachers often ask. And you've added to the list! It is a formidable challenge, but you can do it. Your students depend upon you to teach them to read well.



Objectives

- Make connections to the content.
- Formulate a system.
- Use your teacher's edition as one tool and supplement.
- Modify instruction as needed to make it more
 - intense,
 - explicit,
 - systematic, and
 - inclusive of student practice opportunities.

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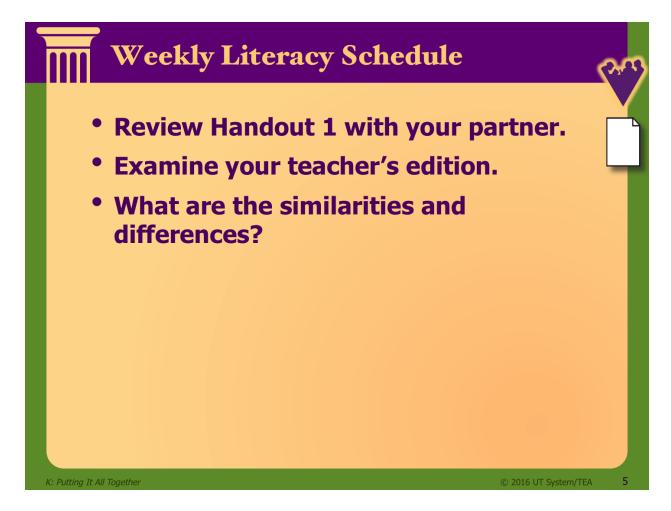
Slide 4—Objectives

The objectives of this session include planning how to differentiate your reading and writing instruction. As you plan these lessons, be mindful of the most challenging student you identified at the beginning of the Academy. Take a look at your drawing of that student one more time!

Pause while they look.

Let's review the objectives to put it all together.

Review the slide with participants.



Slide 5—Weekly Literacy Schedule

Activity

Review **Handout 1: Example Weekly Literacy Schedule**. Then with your partner, review a lesson plan provided in your teacher's edition. What are the similarities and differences? You have 5 minutes.

Provide 5 minutes for participants to work.

Lead a short discussion on the teacher's edition. Some areas that may need more emphasis than provided in the teacher's edition include more systematic instruction, additional practice opportunities, and teaching fewer vocabulary words at one time.

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- Plan to differentiate instruction.
- Integrate the features of effective instruction.
- Plan to cover the five components of research-based reading instruction.
- Add writing instruction.

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Slide 6—Putting It Together

We will spend the next 30 minutes or so working through some steps to plan differentiated instruction. Please remember to integrate everything you have learned.

Review the information on the slide.



Review



- Review Carry It Through sheets.
- Highlight the following:
 - What you want to remember
 - What you want to continue to do
- Review notes on the following:
 - Differentiating instruction
 - Providing scaffolds

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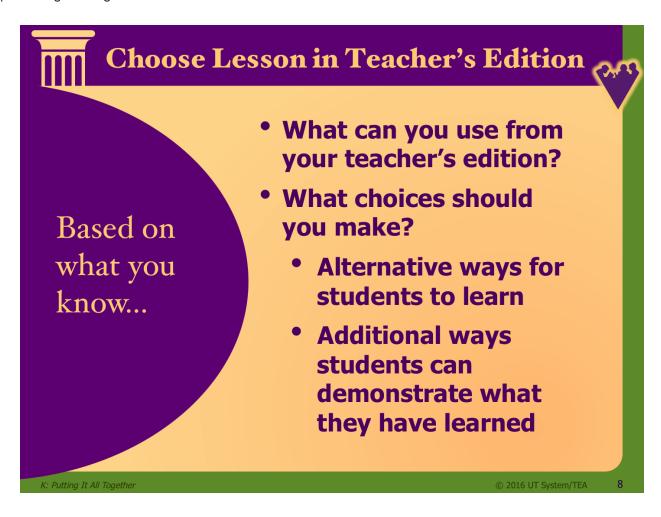
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Slide 7—Review

Activity

The first step is to review your Carry It Through sheets. With your partner, share the notes you wrote throughout the Academy about what you want to remember, effective practices you want to continue to implement, and how to differentiate instruction. You have 5 minutes.

Allow 5 minutes for participants to work.

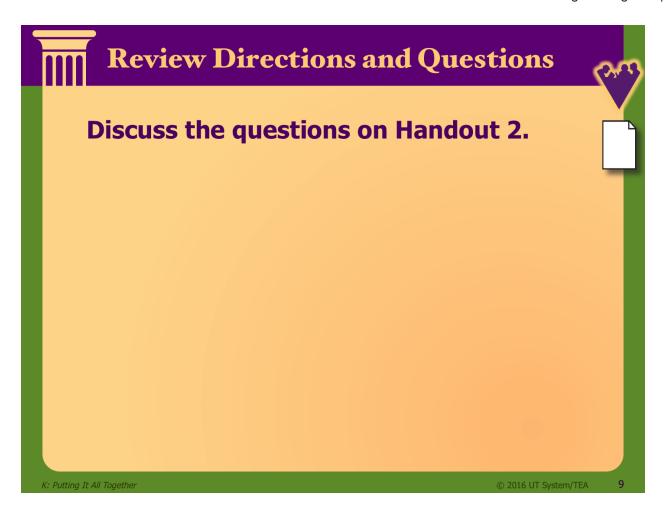


Slide 8—Choose Lesson in Teacher's Edition

Activity

With your partner, choose a lesson or part of a lesson in your teacher's edition that addresses one of the essential components of literacy instruction: language development, phonological or phonemic awareness, alphabetic principle or phonics, vocabulary, or comprehension. Also look for how writing instruction is provided.

Provide time for participants to work.



Slide 9—Review Directions and Questions

Activity

Please find **Handout 2: Planning Effective Literacy Instruction: Directions and Questions to Consider**. With your partner, review these questions. Once you get used to thinking in terms of differentiation, you will automatically think of questions such as these. You have 7 minutes.

Provide 7 minutes for participants to work. If you have time or if the conversations lag, have the tables share.

Slide 10—Plan for Differentiated Instruction

Review Handout 3: Template for Planning Differentiated Instruction.

Pause.

Now I will use **Handout 4** to model a think-aloud about my differentiation decisions.

Use the handout to model.

Modify Lesson in Teacher's Edition For example: **Mark: pronunciation** Eliza: timid – tímido K: Putting It All Togethe © 2016 UT System/TEA

Slide I I—Modify Lesson in Teacher's Edition

Using sticky notes, mark in the text where you will differentiate for your student. For example, Mark will need help with pronunciation; Eliza would benefit from hearing the cognate of timid, tímido.

Provide 5 minutes for participants to work.



Partner Work Time



- 1. Review your notes.
- 2. Consider your challenging student.
- 3. Choose a lesson in your teacher's edition.
- 4. Review the directions and questions (Handout 2).
- 5. Plan for differentiation (Handout 3).
- 6. Modify a lesson in your teacher's edition.

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Slide 12—Partner Work Time

With your partner, complete these steps for differentiating instruction.

You have 15 minutes.

Provide 15 minutes for participants to work. Support partners as they work—ask probing questions, help them determine whether more or less instruction than the teacher's edition provides is required, etc.

Snowball Fight!

- Write your most significant "ah-ha" on a piece of paper.
- Wad up the paper.
- Join the circle.
- Throw your wadded paper.
- Pick up a paper.
- Read the comment to the group.

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Slide 13—Snowball Fight!

This is a fun way for students, and you, to contemplate your most significant "ahha" while learning from your colleagues. Take a piece of paper and write your most significant new knowledge on it.

Pause a few seconds as they think and write.

Wad up the paper into a ball.

Model.

Stand up and come to the front and form a circle.

Throw your wadded paper across the circle. Pause as they throw their paper ball.

Pick up any piece of paper. You will read that statement. We'll quickly go around the room, reading the statements. Don't make any comments—just read to the group what a colleague has written.

Lead the activity.

