Evaluation of Academic Language Interventions

Teacher Survey – Spring 2018

Hello! Thank you very much for your help!

We ask that you complete the survey below. The following page has a consent form with more information about the survey's purpose. If you are willing to complete the survey, please check the appropriate box on the next page and then begin. Your responses will not be used for monitoring purposes and no reports will identify you or any other individual teacher or school.

We appreciate your time!

Sincerely,

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PLEASE READ THIS FORM AND CHECK BELOW IF YOU AGREE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SURVEY

We would like to invite you to complete a survey about your experiences teaching students who are English Learners (ELs) or disadvantaged non-EL students. The survey will take approximately 35 minutes to complete. As a token of our appreciation, you will receive $XX two weeks after submitting your completed survey.

What is the purpose of the study?

Your school is participating in a national research study to help determine what types of instruction will best help English Learners (ELs) and disadvantaged non-EL students in the 4th and 5th grade improve language skills needed for reading and writing in school. The study is sponsored by National Center for Education Evaluation (NCEE) of the U.S. Department of Education's Institute of Education Sciences (IES) and the survey is administered by MDRC and Abt Associates. The survey includes questions on your education, training, and teaching experience, and the types of instructional techniques you use and challenges you encounter in your classroom.

Is participation voluntary?

Taking part in the survey is voluntary. Deciding to take the survey or not will have no effect on your employment, teaching certification status, or your relationship with your school or district. You may choose to skip any question on the survey, or choose not to complete the survey at any time without penalty.

What are the benefits and risks?

There is no direct benefit to you from participating in the survey. You will be contributing to a national study designed to help improve academic outcomes for English learners and non-EL disadvantaged students and give teachers information and tools to work most effectively with these students.

This survey poses minimal risk to you. As part of the survey, you will be asked to provide some personally identifiable information (PII). We will protect your privacy to the extent permissible by law. This includes limiting access to personally identifiable information about you to authorized members of the research team only. There is a very small risk of disclosure of your PII to people outside the research team. However, the research team has many procedures in place to minimize this risk. We will remove PII from your other survey responses and store it separately in secure data files. The research team will not share your individual survey responses with your school, district, state, or the U.S. Department of Education. Your responses to this survey will be summarized along with the responses of other teachers for statistical purposes only. No reports will identify you or any other individual teacher or school. At the end of the study, we will share anonymous data collected in this survey with the U.S. Department of Education's Institute of Education Sciences (IES). That is, before sharing any survey data we will remove information that identifies you or your school directly.

What if I have additional questions?

If you have any questions about the study or about the survey, including technical difficulties, please contact Carter Epstein at Abt Associates via email at STUDY NAME@abtassociates.com or toll free at 800-XXX-XXXX. For questions about your rights with regard to the study, please call INSERT MDRC CONTACT, MDRC's Institutional Review Board Administrator, toll-free at 1-XXX-XXX-XXXX.

❏ **By checking this box, I agree to participate in the survey that follows for [OFFICIAL NAME OF STUDY]. [*SURVEY BEGINS*]**

❏ **I prefer not to participate in this survey. [*EXIT SURVEY*]**

This survey uses the following terms which are likely familiar to you; however, your district may use different terms to define similar ideas.

Academic language = vocabulary words and sentence structures that are common in academic settings (e.g., textbooks, standardized tests) but that are less common in spoken language

English learner = students who are not native English speakers. Your district may call these students limited English proficient, English language learners (ELL), non-native speakers, English as a Second Language (ESL) students, or something else.

Instructional block = each time you instruct a group of students on a particular subject, whether that is one group of students to whom you teach multiple subjects or multiple groups of students to whom you teach one subject. Your district may call these blocks "class periods," "classes," or something else. We expect that most teachers teach 4 to 8 instructional blocks per day.

Professional learning community (PLC) = a group of educators who meet regularly to share knowledge and strategies and to work collaboratively to improve their teaching as well as students' learning. Your district may call this a "community of learning" or something else, but the common idea is a group of colleagues that meet frequently to share instructional practices and work toward a common educational vision. A PLC does <u>not</u> include disciplinary meetings, IEP reviews, or other events focused on non-instructional issues.

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Professional development

1. <u>In the past 6 months</u>, did you participate in any professional development (PD) on the following topics? *If you participated in training on WordGeneration Elementary, please do <u>not</u> count that training when answering below.*

Topic	Did you participate in PD on this topic in the past 6 months? *Do not count any training on WordGen Elementary when answering.*	If <u>YES:</u> In the past 6 months, how many hours of PD related to this topic did you have? *Do not count any training on WordGen Elementary when answering.*
Teaching English learners (ELs)	☐ Yes ☐ No →	☐ 1 to 3 hours ☐ 4 to 7 hours ☐ 8 to 12 hours ☐ 13 or more hours
Teaching other struggling students	☐ Yes ☐ No →	☐ 1 to 3 hours ☐ 4 to 7 hours ☐ 8 to 12 hours ☐ 13 or more hours
Strategies for helping students comprehend and use different types of language (e.g., expository, persuasive, or inferential language)	☐ Yes ☐ No →	☐ 1 to 3 hours ☐ 4 to 7 hours ☐ 8 to 12 hours ☐ 13 or more hours
Strategies for helping students determine the meaning of words (e.g., cognates, context clues, word parts, concrete representations, examples)	☐ Yes ☐ No →	☐ 1 to 3 hours ☐ 4 to 7 hours ☐ 8 to 12 hours ☐ 13 or more hours
Other (please specify): _____	☐ Yes ☐ No →	☐ 1 to 3 hours ☐ 4 to 7 hours ☐ 8 to 12 hours ☐ 13 or more hours

Use of specific instructional strategies

2. In the typical week, how many instructional blocks do you teach?

   *By **instructional blocks**, we mean each time you instruct a group of students on a particular subject, whether that is one group of students to whom you teach multiple subjects or multiple groups of students to whom you teach one subject. Your district may call these class periods or something else.*

   We expect that most teachers teach 4 to 8 instructional blocks per day. For example, if you teach 6 instructional blocks on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and 5 instructional blocks on Tuesday and Thursday, you would teach 28 instructional blocks per week.

   _____ instructional blocks

3. Of these instructional blocks, how many include English learners (ELs)?

   _____ instructional blocks

4. In your most recent full week of teaching, which of the following instructional strategies did use <u>with ELs?</u>

	Used this strategy?		*If checked:* In how many instructional blocks did you use this strategy to instruct <u>ELs?</u>	*If checked:* How well do you think you are able to implement this strategy <u>with ELs?</u>	
Introduce, define, and prompt use of key academic and disciplinary language and terms	☐	➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Teach students words that signal relations between sentences (e.g., words that describe order of events)	☐	➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Model how to use titles, headers, figures, and other text cues to interpret text	☐	➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Use sentence starters or templates to help students organize their thoughts for writing	☐	➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Ask students to define words, use words in a sentence, or state synonyms	☐	➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Use think-alouds or roleplays to model skills and processes (e.g., how to use text clues to interpret text)	☐	➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Model how to generate questions and evaluate predictions about the text	☐	➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Develop content-driven class discussions between you and your students or among students to build deeper knowledge	☐	➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Ask students questions requiring inferences based on text	☐	➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well

5. In your most recent full week of teaching, which of the following instructional strategies did use <u>with other struggling students?</u>

	Used this strategy?	*If checked:* In how many instructional blocks did you use this strategy to instruct <u>other struggling students</u>?	*If checked:* How well do you think you are able to implement this strategy <u>with other struggling students</u>?	
Introduce, define, and prompt use of key academic and disciplinary language and terms	☐	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Teach students words that signal relations between sentences (e.g., words that describe order of events)	☐	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Model how to use titles, headers, figures, and other text cues to interpret text	☐	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Use sentence starters or templates to help students organize their thoughts for writing	☐	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
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Ask students questions requiring inferences based on text	☐	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well

6. In your most recent full week of teaching, which of the following instructional strategies did use <u>with ELs</u>?

	Used this strategy?	*If checked:* In how many instructional blocks did you use this strategy when working with <u>ELs</u>?	*If checked:* How well do you think you are able to implement this strategy <u>with ELs</u>?	
Provide accessible, supportive materials (e.g., pictures, charts, sentence starters) that students can use as references or prompts	☐ ⟶	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Modify assignments and assessments so that all students successfully meet the lesson's goals	☐ ⟶	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Refer to or elicit students' personal experiences to engage them in a new topic or illustrate a new point	☐ ⟶	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Incorporate culturally appropriate materials (e.g., books, foods, posters) into lessons	☐ ⟶	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Talk with students in their home language or dialect	☐ ⟶	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Ask other staff, students, or volunteers to interpret materials into students' home language or dialect	☐ ⟶	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Use translated written materials	☐ ⟶	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Other instructional strategy (please specify): _____	☐ ⟶	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well

7. In your most recent full week of teaching, which of the following instructional strategies did use with other struggling students?

	Used this strategy?	*If checked:* In how many instructional blocks did you use this strategy when working with other struggling students?	*If checked:* How well do you think you are able to implement this strategy with other struggling students?	
Provide accessible, supportive materials (e.g., pictures, charts, sentence starters) that students can use as references or prompts	☐ ➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Modify assignments and assessments so that all students successfully meet the lesson's goals	☐ ➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Refer to or elicit students' personal experiences to engage them in a new topic or illustrate a new point	☐ ➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Incorporate culturally appropriate materials (e.g., books, foods, posters) into lessons	☐ ➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Talk with students in their home language or dialect	☐ ➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Ask other staff, students, or volunteers to interpret materials into students' home language or dialect	☐ ➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Use translated written materials	☐ ➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Other instructional strategy (please specify): _____	☐ ➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well

Challenges in providing effective instruction

8. Which of the following are challenges for you in providing effective instruction to <u>ELs</u>?

	Is this a challenge for you in teaching ELs? *Check all that apply.*	Which is the <u>biggest</u> challenge for you in teaching ELs? *Check one only.*
Students speak multiple languages other than English	☐	☐
Language barriers between myself and the student	☐	☐
Need to modify classroom activities or work to accommodate ELs' needs	☐	☐
Lack of a formal policy or procedures for instructing ELs	☐	☐
Lack of training in instructional strategies for improving ELs' reading and writing	☐	☐
Lack of support from administration for meeting ELs' needs	☐	☐
Other staff who do not share similar ideas about how to teach ELs	☐	☐
Other (please specify): _____	☐	☐
None of the above	☐	☐

9. Which of the following are challenges for you in providing effective instruction to <u>other struggling students</u>?

	Is this a challenge for you in teaching other struggling students? *Check all that apply.*	Which is the <u>biggest</u> challenge for you in teaching other struggling students? *Check one only.*
Language barriers between myself and the student	☐	☐
Need to modify classroom activities or work to accommodate ELs' needs	☐	☐
Lack of a formal policy or procedures for instructing ELs	☐	☐
Lack of training in instructional strategies for improving ELs' reading and writing	☐	☐
Lack of support from administration for meeting ELs' needs	☐	☐
Other staff who do not share similar ideas about how to teach ELs	☐	☐
Other (please specify): _____	☐	☐
None of the above	☐	☐

If you are participating in WordGen Elementary, please go to Q10.

If you are not participating in WordGen Elementary, your participation is finished. Thank you!

For Teachers Using *WordGen Elementary* in Their Classrooms

10. What types of training, coaching, and other supports from WordGen Elementary did you participate in or access in the past 6 months?

	Received this type of support?		*If checked:* In the past 6 months, how many hours did you spend participating in or using the following type of support from WordGen?	*If checked:* Was the necessary amount of time devoted to each of these forms of training and support?
Professional learning community (PLC) meetings focused on WordGen	☐	➡	☐ 1 to 3 hours ☐ 4 to 7 hours ☐ 8 to 12 hours ☐ 13 or more hours	☐ More time than necessary ☐ Just the right amount ☐ Less time than necessary
Training via expert-led webinars	☐	➡	☐ 1 to 3 hours ☐ 4 to 7 hours ☐ 8 to 12 hours ☐ 13 or more hours	☐ More time than necessary ☐ Just the right amount ☐ Less time than necessary
One-on-one coaching in-person	☐	➡	☐ 1 to 3 hours ☐ 4 to 7 hours ☐ 8 to 12 hours ☐ 13 or more hours	☐ More time than necessary ☐ Just the right amount ☐ Less time than necessary
One-on-one coaching by telephone/videoconference	☐	➡	☐ 1 to 3 hours ☐ 4 to 7 hours ☐ 8 to 12 hours ☐ 13 or more hours	☐ More time than necessary ☐ Just the right amount ☐ Less time than necessary
In-person observations of <u>other teachers</u> implementing WordGen	☐	➡	☐ 1 to 3 hours ☐ 4 to 7 hours ☐ 8 to 12 hours ☐ 13 or more hours	☐ More time than necessary ☐ Just the right amount ☐ Less time than necessary
Videos of other teachers implementing WordGen (do not count videos during webinars)	☐	➡	☐ 1 to 3 hours ☐ 4 to 7 hours ☐ 8 to 12 hours ☐ 13 or more hours	☐ More time than necessary ☐ Just the right amount ☐ Less time than necessary
Additional materials that you accessed from WordGen's website	☐	➡	☐ 1 to 3 hours ☐ 4 to 7 hours ☐ 8 to 12 hours ☐ 13 or more hours	☐ More time than necessary ☐ Just the right amount ☐ Less time than necessary
Other (please specify): _____	☐	➡	☐ 1 to 3 hours ☐ 4 to 7 hours ☐ 8 to 12 hours ☐ 13 or more hours	☐ More time than necessary ☐ Just the right amount ☐ Less time than necessary

11. Which of the following topics were covered during the training, coaching, or other supports you received from WordGen in the past 6 months?

	Topic was covered?		If checked: Was the necessary amount of time devoted to this topic?	If checked: How well did the trainer(s) cover this topic?
How to support classroom talk by asking open-ended questions	☐	⟶	☐ More time than necessary ☐ Just the right amount of time ☐ Less time than necessary	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well ☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
How to encourage students to use evidence in their claims and arguments	☐	⟶	☐ More time than necessary ☐ Just the right amount of time ☐ Less time than necessary	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well ☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
List other topics from training plan	☐	⟶	☐ More time than necessary ☐ Just the right amount of time ☐ Less time than necessary	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well ☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well

12. For which topics do you need more training, coaching, or other support?
    ☐ How to support classroom talk by asking open-ended questions
    ☐ How to encourage students to use evidence in their claims and arguments
    ☐ *List other topics from training plan*
    ☐ Other (please specify): _____

Instructional practices and resources

13. In your most recent full week of teaching, which of the following strategies did use to support English learners' acquisition of language and literacy?

	Used this strategy?	*If checked:* In how many instructional blocks did you use this strategy to support ELs' acquisition of language and literacy?	*If checked:* How well do you think you are able to implement this strategy with ELs?	
Promote classroom discussion by using "talk moves (e.g., asking open-ended questions; asking students to 'say more')	☐ ➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Facilitate classroom discussion by asking students to explain each other's responses, respond directly to each other's claims	☐ ➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Prompt students to consider different perspectives (e.g., ask students to explain different understandings of an event)	☐ ➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Provide students time to think before answering (e.g., having them turn and talk to a partner or jot their ideas down first)	☐ ➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Model academic language, including the target vocabulary	☐ ➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Model how to think through and make sense of a passage or solve a problem	☐ ➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Providing textual supports in the classroom environment to support students' language development	☐ ➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Focus on the intended meaning in student talk or writing, not primarily on conventional correctness	☐ ➡	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well

14. In your most recent full week of teaching, which of the following strategies did use to support other struggling students' acquisition of language and literacy?

	Used this	*If checked:* In how many instructional	*If checked:* How well do you think you are

	strategy?	blocks did you use this strategy to support <u>other struggling students'</u> acquisition of language and literacy?	able to implement this strategy <u>with other struggling students</u>?	
Promote classroom discussion by using "talk moves (e.g., asking open-ended questions; asking students to 'say more')	☐ ➤	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Facilitate classroom discussion by asking students to explain each other's responses, respond directly to each other's claims	☐ ➤	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Prompt students to consider different perspectives (e.g., ask students to explain different understandings of an event)	☐ ➤	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Provide students time to think before answering (e.g., having them turn and talk to a partner or jot their ideas down first)	☐ ➤	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Model academic language, including the target vocabulary	☐ ➤	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Model how to think through and make sense of a passage or solve a problem	☐ ➤	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Providing textual supports in the classroom environment to support students' language development	☐ ➤	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well
Focus on the intended meaning in student talk or writing, not primarily on conventional correctness	☐ ➤	_____instructional blocks	☐ Not well at all ☐ Somewhat well ☐ Moderately well	☐ Very well ☐ Extremely well

Perceptions of WordGen

15. To what extent do you think you have adequate levels of the following resources to fully implement WordGen Elementary? *Mark one response in each row.*

	Adequate	Less than adequate	Not applicable
Administrator support for WordGen	☐	☐	☐
Support from the WordGen trainers and team	☐	☐	☐
Knowledge and instructional skills for supporting literacy and language arts learning	☐	☐	☐
Knowledge and instructional skills to address the learning needs of ELs and other struggling students	☐	☐	☐
Knowledge and instructional skills for supporting students' acquisition of academic language	☐	☐	☐

16. How satisfactory has communication regarding WordGen Elementary been with the following groups? *Mark one response in each row.*

	Very satisfactory	Somewhat satisfactory	Somewhat unsatisfactory	Very unsatisfactory	Not applicable
WordGen's national staff, including the developers and trainers	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
The WordGen district coach from your district	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
The WordGen lead teacher at your school	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Your school principal(s) or administrator(s)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Other teachers in your school who are participating in WordGen	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

17. What is the single AL instructional practice that has been <u>most useful</u> for you to adopt in your teaching of:

	ELs *Check one only.*	Other struggling students *Check one only.*
Promoting classroom discussion by using "talk moves (e.g., asking open-ended questions; asking students to 'say more' or explain their reasoning)	☐	☐
Facilitating classroom discussion by asking students to explain each other's responses and to respond directly to each other's claims and arguments	☐	☐
Prompting students to consider different perspectives (e.g., asking students to explain why individuals might have different understandings of an event)	☐	☐
Providing students time to think before answering (e.g., having them turn and talk to a partner or jot their ideas down first)	☐	☐
Modeling academic language, including the target vocabulary	☐	☐
Modeling how to think through and make sense of a passage or solve a problem	☐	☐
Defining unfamiliar words (<u>excluding the target vocabulary</u>)	☐	☐
Providing scaffolds (e.g., sentence starters) for students' use of academic language forms	☐	☐
Providing textual supports in the classroom environment to support students' language development	☐	☐
Focusing on the intended meaning in student talk or writing, not primarily on conventional correctness, by acknowledging correct content while modeling more correct forms of expression	☐	☐
Other (please specify): _____	☐	☐

18. What is the single AL instructional practice that has been <u>easiest</u> for you to adopt in your teaching?

	Check one only.
Promoting classroom discussion by using "talk moves (e.g., asking open-ended questions; asking students to 'say more' or explain their reasoning)	☐
Facilitating classroom discussion by asking students to explain each other's responses and to respond directly to each other's claims and arguments	☐
Prompting students to consider different perspectives (e.g., asking students to explain why individuals might have different understandings of an event)	☐
Providing students time to think before answering (e.g., having them turn and talk to a partner or jot their ideas down first)	☐
Modeling academic language, including the target vocabulary	☐
Modeling how to think through and make sense of a passage or solve a problem	☐
Defining unfamiliar words (<u>excluding the target vocabulary</u>)	☐
Providing scaffolds (e.g., sentence starters) for students' use of academic language forms	☐
Providing textual supports in the classroom environment to support students' language development	☐
Focusing on the intended meaning in student talk or writing, not primarily on conventional correctness, by acknowledging correct content while modeling more correct forms of expression	☐
Other (please specify): _____	☐

19. What is the single AL instructional practice that has been <u>hardest</u> for you to adopt in your teaching?

	Check one only.
Promoting classroom discussion by using "talk moves (e.g., asking open-ended questions; asking students to 'say more' or explain their reasoning)	☐
Facilitating classroom discussion by asking students to explain each other's responses and to respond directly to each other's claims and arguments	☐
Prompting students to consider different perspectives (e.g., asking students to explain why individuals might have different understandings of an event)	☐
Providing students time to think before answering (e.g., having them turn and talk to a partner or jot their ideas down first)	☐
Modeling academic language, including the target vocabulary	☐
Modeling how to think through and make sense of a passage or solve a problem	☐
Defining unfamiliar words (<u>excluding the target vocabulary</u>)	☐
Providing scaffolds (e.g., sentence starters) for students' use of academic language forms	☐
Providing textual supports in the classroom environment to support students' language development	☐
Focusing on the intended meaning in student talk or writing, not primarily on conventional correctness, by acknowledging correct content while modeling more correct forms of expression	☐
Other (please specify): _____	☐

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