



Differentiating Reading Instruction

Presenter: Laura Robb

About the Presenter:

Author, teacher, coach, and speaker, Laura Robb has completed 43 years of teaching in grades 4-8. She presently coaches teachers in grades K-8 at Powhatan School in Boyce, Virginia, in Staunton, Virginia, Long Island, New York City, an Rockland County, New York. For several years, Robb taught struggling middle school readers at Johnson Williams Middle School while training teachers to scaffold instruction.

She has written more than 17 books for teachers—her most recent Scholastic titles are *Differentiating Reading Instruction: How to Teach Reading to Meet the Needs of Each Student*, *Assessments for Differentiating Reading Instruction*, and a second edition of *Teaching Reading in Middle School*. Laura has also designed classroom libraries for Scholastic for grades 3-9.

For Heinemann, Laura has completed *Teaching Middle School Writers: What Every English Teacher Needs to Know* (2010). This book includes a DVD with Laura teaching and is based on a National Survey of 1500 middle school students.

Laura is a keynote speaker at conferences all over the country and writes articles for education journals. She leads workshops on reading and writing for teachers throughout the United States in elementary, middle, and high schools.



Description:

In this hands-on workshop, participants deepen their understanding of the three layers of reading and how these relate to differentiating instruction: the instructional read aloud, whole-class differentiated instructional reading, and independent practice reading.

In addition, participants will learn how to plan unit of study around three important elements: 1) a genre (such as biography), 2) an issue and essential questions (such as obstacles and how they impact our lives), and 3) a high level reading strategy.

Laura Robb will model how she plans a unit and weaves journal writing into the unit in order to improve students' reading comprehension and recall. Participants will experience whole-class differentiated reading instruction by working with a partner on different biographies.

Date: January 10, 2012; 8:30 AM—3:00 PM; **Location:** LaSure's Banquet Hall, 3125 S Washburn Street, Oshkosh

Audience: Grades 4-8 classroom teachers, Reading Specialists, Administrators

Cost: Includes continental breakfast, lunch, and materials. CESA 6 Title II-A ESEA School Districts \$145; All other school districts \$195 per person.

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