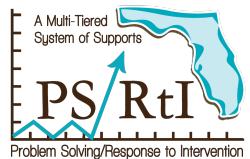


2024 Regional Literacy Institute

Using Problem Solving within a PLC to Improve Secondary Reading Outcomes: Practice Handout



Step 1: Problem Identification

- As of PM2 what percent of ninth graders at Sunnyville High School scored level 3 or above and how does this compare to the baseline data from PM1?
- Given the data, do you recommend approaching student needs from a Tier 1, 2 or 3 perspective?
- What other data might you want to review to confirm these findings?

PM2 Data

Average Score, Achievement Distribution and Average Points Earned on Grade 9 FAST ELA Reading (PM2 2023-24), by Roster and Reporting Category

Filtered By School: All Schools | Test Reasons: PM2 2023-24 |

Roster	Teacher	Total	Total					Percent Level 3 or above	1. Reading Prose and Poetry	2. Reading Informational Text	3. Reading Across Genres & Vocabulary
			Student Count	Test Completion Rate	Average Scale Score	Achievement Distribution					
State		215851		235 ⓘ	Percent Count 67.1K	31% 56.7K	26% 41.4K	19% 32.7K	15% 18K	8% 18K	43%
District		3728		232 ⓘ	Percent Count 1.3K	35% 916	25% 668	18% 550	15% 293	8% 13	41%
School		519		226 ⓘ	Percent Count 221	43% 162	31% 71	14% 52	10% 13	3% 13	26%

PM1 Data

Average Score, Achievement Distribution and Average Points Earned on Grade 9 FAST ELA Reading (PM1 2023-24), by Roster and Reporting Category:

Filtered By School: All Schools | Test Reasons: PM1 2023-24 |

Roster	Teacher	Total	Total					Percent Level 3 or above	1. Reading Prose and Poetry	2. Reading Informational Text	3. Reading Across Genres & Vocabulary
			Student Count	Test Completion Rate	Average Scale Score	Achievement Distribution					
State		215136		232 ⓘ	Percent Count 73.2K	34% 62.4K	29% 40.1K	19% 27.1K	13% 20.5K	6% 7.3K	37%
District		3690		230 ⓘ	Percent Count 1.4K	38% 1K	28% 637	17% 422	11% 205	6% 73	34%
School		502		220 ⓘ	Percent Count 270	54% 140	28% 59	12% 52	5% 26	1% 7	18%



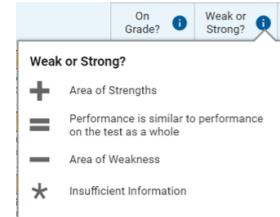
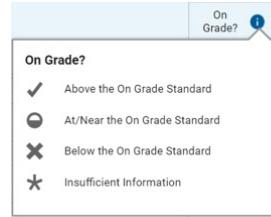
Step 2: Problem Analysis

The PLC generated multiple hypotheses across the domains of instruction, curriculum, environment, and learner. Review the hypothesis below and respond to the questions that follow.

Hypothesis #1 (Instruction): The majority of 9th grade students are not scoring level 3 or above because the current direct, explicit instruction on morphology and context and connotation is not sufficient.

- Which method(s) could the PLC team use to confirm the hypothesis? Review, Interview, Observe, or Test
- What specifically will they need to determine?

Average Score, Achievement Distribution and Average Points Earned on Grade 9 FAST ELA Reading (PM2 2023-24), by Roster and Reporting Category:												2023-2024					
Roster		Teacher		3. Reading Across Genres & Vocabulary	3. Reading Across Genres & Vocabulary												
					Performance Distribution		Comparative Reading i		Context and Connotation i		Interpreting Figurative Language i		Morphology i		Understanding Rhetoric i		
					On Grade? i	Weak or Strong? i	On Grade? i	Weak or Strong? i	On Grade? i	Weak or Strong? i	On Grade? i	Weak or Strong? i	On Grade? i	Weak or Strong? i			
					Percent	33% 47% 21%	Count	70.7K 100K 44.5K	Percent	37% 44% 19%	Count	1.4K 1.6K 724	Percent	47% 43% 10%	Count	244 225 50	
State					✓	—	✗	+	✗	+	✗	+	✗	+	✗	—	
District					✗	—	✗	=	✗	+	✗	=	✗	=	✗	=	
School					✗	+	✗	—	✗	=	✗	=	—	✗	=		



Step 3: Intervention Design

How might the
9th grade
teachers be
supported?

Complete the “Support Plan” section of
the Comprehensive Intervention Plan

Goal Statement: 41% of Sunnyville High School 9 th graders will score level 3 or above on the PM3 assessment by EOY 23/24.			
Intervention Plan	Support Plan	Fidelity Documentation	Progress Monitoring Plan
<u>Who</u> is responsible? All 9th grade ELA teachers	<u>Who</u> is responsible? All 9 th grade ELA teachers	<u>Who</u> is responsible? Instructional support personnel and 9 th grade ELA teachers	<u>Who</u> is responsible? All 9 th grade ELA teachers
<u>What</u> will be done? Provide explicit instruction in morphology and applying context and connotation using identified words from grade level reading material, following the weekly instructional routine below: Day 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduce and connect students' background knowledge to identified words• Model Word Matrix for identifying root and affixes• Students practice and receive feedback Day 2: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Model sentence development using new words• Students practice and receive feedback Day 3: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Model determining connotation and denotation of new words through context clues, word relationships and/or figurative language• Students demonstrate understanding in written/verbal form and receive feedback	<u>What</u> will be done? Provide explicit instruction in morphology and applying context and connotation using identified words from grade level reading material, following the weekly instructional routine below: Day 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Instructional support personnel will observe instruction and provide feedback using School Leader's Literacy Walkthrough Vocabulary tool on a rotating schedule• Teachers will review student notebooks for evidence of the activities outlined in the instructional routine Day 2: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Walkthroughs conducted weekly on a rotating schedule• Daily notebook review Day 3: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Where will it occur? Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays, for 15 minutes per day as part of Tier 1 instruction	<u>What</u> will be done? Provide explicit instruction in morphology and applying context and connotation using identified words from grade level reading material, following the weekly instructional routine below: Day 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Instructional support personnel will observe instruction and provide feedback using School Leader's Literacy Walkthrough Vocabulary tool on a rotating schedule• Teachers will review student notebooks for evidence of the activities outlined in the instructional routine Day 2: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Walkthroughs conducted weekly on a rotating schedule• Daily notebook review Day 3: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Where will it occur? Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays, for 15 minutes per day as part of Tier 1 instruction	<u>When</u> data will be collected and <u>when</u> ? Brief common assessments of connotative and denotative meaning of words, and understanding of root words and affixes
		<u>When</u> data will be collected and <u>when</u> ? Spring FAST data	<u>When</u> data will be collected and <u>when</u> ? The PLC will review common assessment data on 1/26, 2/23, 3/29, 4/26, 5/31

9th grade ELA Classrooms

Where will it occur?
9th grade ELA Classrooms

When will it occur?
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RtI will be based on the following:
Positive Response: ≥ 41%
Questionable: 26 – 40%
Poor: ≤ 25 %



Step 4: Response to Intervention

Use the decision rules to determine the students' response to intervention.

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Decision Rules:

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Questionable: 26 – 40%

Poor: $\leq 25\%$

PM3 Data

Roster		Teacher	Total	Student Count	Test Completion Rate	Average Scale Score	Achievement Distribution					1. Reading Prose and Poetry	2. Reading Informational Text	3. Reading Across Genres & Vocabulary	
State			216357		240 ⓘ		Percent 24% Count 51.9K	24% 51.9K	24% 51.9K	23% 49.7K	18% 38.9K	11% 23.7K			
District			3768		241 ⓘ		Percent 25% Count 942	25% 942	24% 942	20% 754	18% 678	12% 452			
School			540		228 ⓘ		Percent 31% Count 167	28% 157	29% 108	20% 76	14% 32	6% 32			

Roster		Teacher	3. Reading Across Genres & Vocabulary	3. Reading Across Genres & Vocabulary										
Performance Distribution		Comparative Reading ⓘ		Context and Connotation ⓘ		Interpreting Figurative Language ⓘ		Morphology ⓘ		Understanding Rhetoric ⓘ				
				On Grade? ⓘ	Weak or Strong? ⓘ	On Grade? ⓘ	Weak or Strong? ⓘ	On Grade? ⓘ	Weak or Strong? ⓘ	On Grade? ⓘ	Weak or Strong? ⓘ	On Grade? ⓘ	Weak or Strong? ⓘ	
				Percent 28% Count 60.5K	42% 90.8K	30% 64.9K	ⓘ	✓	=	✓	=	✗	+	
State				Percent 32% Count 1206	38% 1432	30% 1130	ⓘ	✓	=	✓	=	✗	+	
District				Percent 38% Count 205	41% 221	21% 114	ⓘ	✓	-	○	+	✗	=	
School				Percent 38% Count 205	41% 221	21% 114	ⓘ	✓	-	○	+	✗	=	

1. Was the students' response positive, questionable, or poor?

2. What next steps would you recommend for the team?