

Aims of the course

A FRAMEWORK TO GUIDE TEACHING & LEANING

The Big 10 provides a framework for planning, teaching and assessing. It offers a common language to support metacognitive conversations about reading comprehension. It helps pupils to break down the complex skill of comprehension into goals they can tackle.

DEEPENING UNDERSTANDING OF READING COMPREHENSION

The course aims to deepen and extend teacher understanding of the Big 10 reading comprehension strategies. The aim is to build professional knowledge and empower teachers to design and create their own high-impact lessons that meets the needs of pupils in their class. In-depth knowledge of comprehension allows adults to design effective interventions and spot when pupils are experiencing difficulties.

PLANNING

Teachers should leave the course feeling confident to plan lessons and interventions that focus on one or more of the Big 10 reading comprehension strategies.

ADDRESSING PUPIL DIFFICULTIES

Improved knowledge and understanding of the common difficulties pupils may experience with reading comprehension ensures teachers are well equipped to address issues and maximise pupil progress.

STRENGTHENING NON-FICTION READING

The course has a special section dedicated to teaching non-fiction reading and considering the importance of 'reading to learn'.

CLASSROOM PRACTICE

Adults completing this course should feel more knowledgeable on a range of classroom practice issues such as text selection, vocabulary development, strategies for reading a text aloud, assessment, and linking reading and writing development.

TIMESAVING RESOURCES AND INSPIRING NEW IDEAS

Resources and classroom activity ideas are provided throughout the course. In addition, there are bonus materials at the end of the course. It is hoped that teachers will use, modify and adapt, and create resources based on the training materials. A great resource bank!

LEADERSHIP

Deepening knowledge of reading comprehension should strengthen the whole school approach to reading. Additional materials are included at the end of the course specifically for leaders.

The course aims to share best practice and research in the field of teaching reading comprehension