



Featuring **KRISTINA SMEKENS**

Delivering Explicit & Engaging Comprehension MINI-LESSONS



Training Details:

DATE: Aug. 30, 2018

LOCATION: Wabash Valley
Education Center,
3061 Benton St.,
West Lafayette, IN

TIME: 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

Training Overview

This training focuses on building a scaffold of comprehension mini-lessons. Participants will learn ways to make their whole-class mini-lessons more explicit and dynamic while receiving numerous mini-lesson concepts *per comprehension strategy!*

This resource is free!

Each attendee will receive one FREE copy of *Scaffold Comprehension*



Instruction to support the implementation of whole-class reading lessons at any grade level.

This spiral-bound flapbook will supplement the workshop handout

and become a tool to help teachers plan sequenced comprehension instruction all year long.

Training Topics:

- Identify a gradual release that guides students from a basic application to a deep understanding of any reading skill/strategy.
- Study grade-specific instructional calendars that spiral through the six comprehension strategies all year long.
- Receive a sequence of classroom-tested mini-lessons that rely on textual evidence to support retelling/summarizing ideas, determining main ideas, visualizing ideas, questioning ideas, making connections, and synthesizing ideas.
- Discover how to adjust instruction to address the same comprehension skills when reading literature (fiction) versus informational texts (nonfiction).
- View various lessons executed and recorded within actual classrooms.
- Learn to blend explicit instruction of individual strategies with all-encompassing close-reading experiences.
- Identify various writing-about-reading products (e.g., constructed and extended responses) that honor students' developmental readiness.

When you leave, you'll be able to:

- ▶ Execute comprehension mini-lessons that are short, effective, and powerful.
- ▶ Make reading lessons more visual through anchor charts, Think Alouds, hand signals, concrete triggers, and more.
- ▶ Deliver a multi-week study that acknowledges the developmental progression of comprehension strategies.
- ▶ Execute a yearlong plan that emphasizes spiraling through previously-taught skills, while encouraging students to juggle multiple strategies simultaneously.
- ▶ Implement Kristina's favorite whole-class comprehension mini-lessons.
- ▶ Access the digital and video resources that support the whole-class comprehension lessons learned within the workshop.