



Allendale
County Schools

Literacy Newsletter

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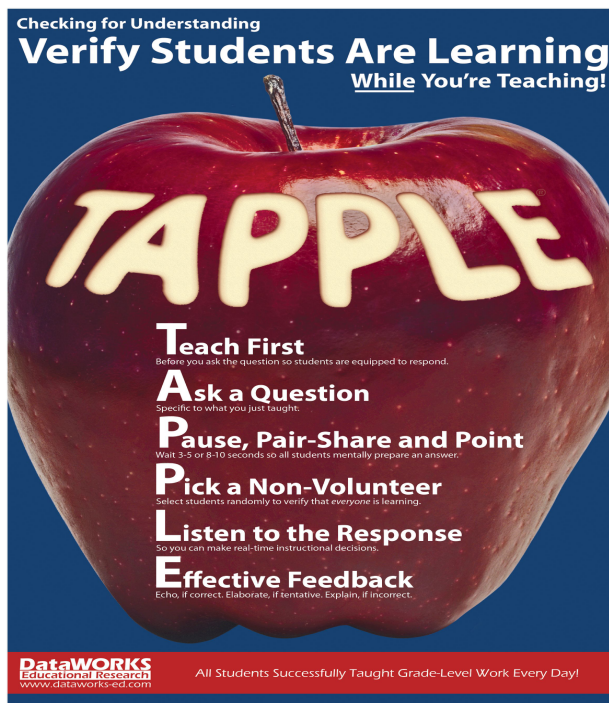
"Changing the Headlines...Allendale Forward"

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TAPPLE

Instructional Strategy

DataWORKS developed TAPPLE as an easy way to remember the six research-based components of Checking for Understanding. Using TAPPLE, teachers can get feedback from students to determine the pace of the lesson.



**Education is the most powerful weapon
which you can use to change the world.**
~Nelson Mandela

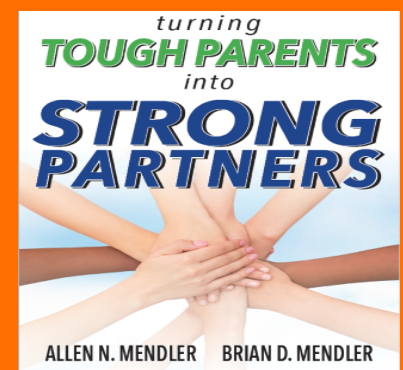
**"Literacy is...the road to
human progress and the
means through which every
man, woman and child can
realize his or her full
potential."**

- Kofi Annan

Coaching Schedule:

*Monday @ AFHS
Tuesday @ AFMS
Wednesday @ AFHS
Thursday @ AFMS
Friday @ Planning Day*

Professional Resource:



This book provides helpful strategies and ways to interact with all parents, but will be especially beneficial with parents whose cooperation and proper support can be difficult to obtain.

Text-Dependent Analysis (TDA)

Every 3-8 student in the district will have to take the SC READY and SC PASS assessments at the end of the school year. The 9th grade students will take the EOC assessment. The writing portion of the assessments is called Text-Dependent Analysis (TDA). This type of item requires that students read a piece of text or passage and draw upon that text for their **written** responses—e.g., support their responses with evidence from the text. The TDA item is scored with a holistic rubric that has a point range of 1 (lowest) to 4 (highest).

When completing the TDA item, students will have access to a writer's checklist to help them plan, write, and proofread their response in addition to a 4 point rubric.

Sample TDA Using the R.A.C.E. Strategy

Lions live together in social groups called prides. Most of the lions in a pride are females and their cubs. The lionesses share the work of hunting and raising cubs. By hunting in a pack, lions can take down animals far larger than themselves. Much of the food killed by a pride is taken by the males. In return, they provide protection from other lions. A pride has a well-defined territory, which is marked by the males. When lions in a pride meet, they greet one another by head rubbing, licking, and grooming. It's endearing to watch them.

According to the article, is it important for lions to live as a pride?

R It is important for lions to live as a pride because they depend on one another for survival. For example, the article states that "the lionesses share the work of hunting and raising cubs" and male lions "provide protection from other lions." They also work together when they hunt larger prey. By sharing responsibilities as a pride, they will be able to survive a long time.



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