

## Exercise: Discuss Whole-Group Reading and Writing Lessons

Consider the information provided about whole-group reading and writing instruction, and have a collaborative discussion on the current whole-group experiences within your team's classrooms. Discuss how team members might refine whole-group reading or writing lessons to make a greater impact on student achievement.

Use the following questions to guide this exercise.

- How can we ensure that the texts we use for whole-group experiences are appropriately challenging for our students?
- How can we maintain high engagement levels among our students?
- How will we incorporate gradual release of responsibility during whole-group reading and writing lessons?
- What texts will we use as mentor texts during writing instruction?