

Did You Know?

TDA Close Reading Lessons & Replacement Units



The Text Dependent Analysis (TDA) Close Reading Lessons are designed to be an example pathway for teaching comprehension and analysis of the reading elements. The Close Reading instructional plan guides teachers through the planning and

teaching of each lesson, as well as modeling the response to a TDA prompt. The close reading lessons focus on the text excerpt and corresponding prompt in each grade-level Instructional Prompt Guide with Annotated Student Responses.



[TDA Close Reading Lessons Gr8.pdf](#)

The Text Dependent Analysis (TDA) Replacement Units are intended to supplant units that do not move beyond superficial understandings, knowledge, and skills of English language arts. This is not to suggest that the selected texts in current units of instruction are not complex or appropriate. In fact, there are many high-quality texts in anthologies and other resources that are currently used in classes, schools, and districts. Replacement units provide teachers with a way to reshuffle the texts in order for students to dive deeply into comprehension and analysis of a small set of reading elements using a variety of texts, and to demonstrate the ability to respond to a TDA prompt.



[Grade 4 Replacement Unit.pdf](#)

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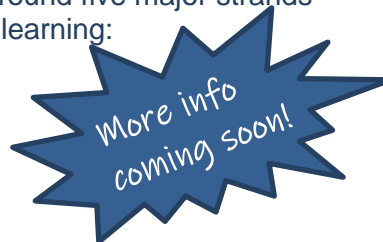
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This year's SAS Institute, *Focusing Forward: Creating Innovative Educational Pathways*, scheduled for December 5-8, 2021, at the Hershey Lodge and Convention Center (virtual option also available) will center around five major strands designed to transform learning:

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- Pathways to Prepare for the Future
- Pathways to Continuous School Improvement
- Pathways for Accelerating Learning



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[How to Create a Culture of Self-Care in Your School](#)



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Give-Away Song

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This is my give-away—
not because I don't want
it anymore,
not because it's out of
style or
broken or
useless since it lost
its lid or one of its buttons,
not because I don't understand
the "value" of things.
This is my give-away—
because I have enough
to share with you
because I have been given
so much
health love happiness
pain sorrow fear
to share from the heart
in a world where words can be
meaningless when they come
only from the head.
This is my give-away—
to touch what is good in you
with words your heart can hear
like ripples from a pebble
dropped in water
moving outward growing
wider touching others.
You are strong.
You are kind.
You are beautiful.
This is my give-away.
Wopida ye.
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