RED 6657: Language and Cognitive Foundations for Reading

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FINAL RESEARCH ASSIGNMENT

The purpose of this assignment is for you to research and learn more about a topic related to this course that is particularly interesting to you. A second purpose is to encourage you to continue drawing from the expertise of others, both those on the research side and those currently practice.

Whatever topic you choose you will then find **3 sources to research: an academic journal article (or book chapter), a practice-based article and a video**. For each source you will write a summary of the takeaways and implications for your own practice. Please note: these three sources do not need to be on the exact same strategy – just as long as they are somewhat related and all tie back to the topic of interest.

*Format: I am attaching a template that is totally optional but reinforces the content required. You are welcome to use something more creative like Prezi or Power point as long as all the required components are present.*

**Academic Journal article**: I recommend starting out by using Google Scholar and typing in key words that relate to what you are interested it. This can also be a way to narrow down your topic – see what is out that that interests you. Most often you can read the summary or abstract first to see if it’s something that is worth downloading and reading. As noted in the template, please list this article in APA format.

**Teacher Practice article**: This type of article does not have to be in a journal but can be found on one of the many teacher-oriented web sites. Also, while they can be helpful, please do not use blogs for this assignment.

**Video**: Of course, You Tube is often the best place to find practice-oriented videos. These are a nice complement to articles since you can see strategies and concepts in action.

As stated in the template, you will also have an introduction of why you chose this topic and a final statement about how this topic extended your understandings from this course.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions!

Professor Jones

FINAL ASSIGNMENT: PART II TEMPLATE

Introduction: State the topic you decided to research and why you chose this topic.

Academic Article

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| APA Citation of Academic Article |
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| Summarize the main points and takeaways of this article (2 paragraphs) |
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| Your Reactions/Implications for your own practice (1 paragraph) |
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Teacher Article

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| Link to article |
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| Summarize the main points and takeaways of this article (2 paragraphs) |
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| Your Reactions/Implications for your own practice (1 paragraph) |
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Video

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| Link to video |
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| Summarize the main points and takeaways of this article (1-2 paragraphs) |
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| Your Reactions/Implications for your own practice (1 paragraph) |
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Final Statement: In a final brief paragraph describe how this research added to your concepts presented in the course.