



Champlain Valley Educator Development Center

Collaborative Professional Learning to Support Vermont Schools

Level Up Your Reading Conferences:

Understanding Your Readers and How Characteristics of Text Levels
Can be Used in K-8 Conferences

Facilitated by: Pam Foust and Sarah Miller

Anyone who teaches reading understands that no two readers are exactly the same - and that's why we teach the reader, not the reading. In our day-long workshop for K-8 teachers, we'll develop the foundations and strategies to both better understand the readers in our classrooms and the ways in which text levels provide valuable insight. Rather than focusing on text levels as labels, we'll consider how these levels can inform our conferences in a practical way that can help readers grow.

Our work together will include:

- understanding text levels
- becoming familiar with the current thinking about text levels
- creating conferring tools that are tailored with text levels in mind
- developing conferring questions that will support readers in their growth

Morning

- Introduction to text levels
- Jigsaw articles on text levels
- Mine texts for characteristics of that level

Afternoon

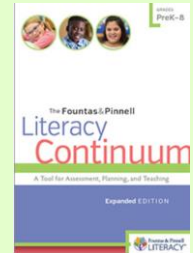
- Introduction to conferring
- Video
- Conferring Toolkits
- Share and self-reflection, next steps, feedback

About the Facilitators:

Pam Foust has had many roles in CESU from multiage classroom teacher, literacy curriculum leader and coach, to coordinating a mentoring program for beginning teachers.

Sarah Miller has experience as an ELA and Social Studies teacher in grades 7 and 8. Currently, she is a literacy coach and facilitates professional development with a focus on the Reading and Writing Workshop model.

For a more complete bio – see our website.



Dates:

Tuesday,
August 14, 2018

Hours:

9:00-3:30
(lunch included)
6.5 recertification hours

Location:

CVEDC Classroom
Colchester, VT

Cost:

\$250 CVEDC members
\$275 non-members
This includes lunch AND the book: Fountas and Pinnell: Literacy Continuum (\$75).
If you already have text, the price is \$175 members/ \$200 non-members.

Participants should bring:

- **5-10 books they are familiar with and represent the range their class would typically read.**
- **A laptop or other connectivity device**

To Register: www.cvedcvt.org

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