I really enjoyed the highly engaging text and the activities within the lessons. The teacher instructions were very informative and easy to read. I found the instructions on how to use the culturally responsive strategies very helpful.

—3rd Grade Teacher, Monte Vista Elementary School
Santa Ana, CA

I observed my students transferring the skills and strategies from the program into other texts.

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Here’s what elementary teachers had to say:

“The materials are high quality, engaging, and ready to go. I liked the explicit modeling and teaching of the strategies. I also liked the varied ways students interact with each other, and the culturally responsive strategies included. Students LOVED the text cards.”

“I really like how the strategies were broken down and taught using a variety of text. I gained a deeper understanding of each strategy and how to best teach it.”

“I thought the reading materials were both relevant and engaging for the students. Current news topics and age appropriate themes allowed for the students to make connections to themselves and their community. The comprehension strategies aligned with the classroom focus, and everything was included in the kit, which made it easy to plan and implement the program. I would use it again in the future!”

“I liked that Exploring Reading gave my students the opportunity to be reflective as well as being able to support their opinions both orally and in writing. I also loved the repeated readings and the time allotted for close reading. My students liked the immediate feedback from their peers as well as myself.”

“By using the strategies [in Exploring Reading] there was a high carry over to the classroom. The classroom teacher saw improvements in students’ daily reading assignments as well as an increase in their assessment scores. The students loved the books and the cards as well as the topics that were covered.”