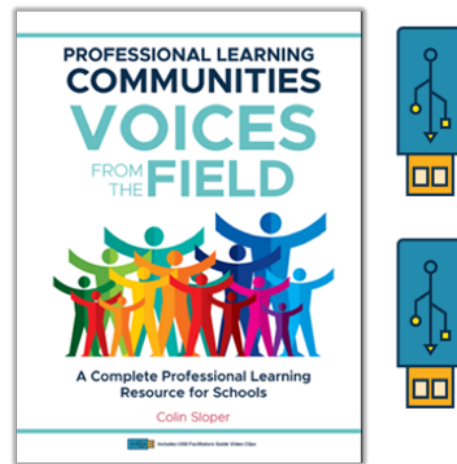


# Professional Learning Communities – Voices from the Field: A Complete Professional Learning Resource for Schools

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## Summary

*Professional Learning Communities – Voices from the Field: A Complete Professional Learning Resource for Schools* is the perfect guide for any leadership team, collaborative team or educator looking to transform their school into a professional learning community.

This multimedia professional learning package presents a series of in-depth interviews and meetings with teachers, leaders and other stakeholders as they discuss the key ideas of professional learning communities, providing invaluable insight into the PLC process from real educators who do the work every day. With the accompanying videos, you will observe how becoming a professional learning community has not only improved both the school and the school community, but also the professional outcomes of its own educators and the students they serve.

The included video clips, and accompanying Facilitator's Guide, are divided into three sections:

1. **Vox Pop Interviews** – Gain an insight into the thoughts and opinions of individual educators as they discuss the key ideas and main issues addressed by the professional learning communities process.
2. **Leadership and Collaborative Team Meetings** – Observe teacher teams as they discuss issues related to student learning that are affecting them and their students, and how they are addressed by working as a collaborative team. See how the operation of a leadership team meeting is targeted to support the work of teacher collaborative teams.
3. **One-on-One Interviews** – These interviews capture the weekly meetings between the principal and the school's assistant principals, and the weekly meetings of the assistant principals with collaborative team facilitators, demonstrating how these key personnel are supported in their important work.

Appropriate for use individually, with teacher teams or as a whole staff, *Professional Learning Communities – Voices from the Field* has been created by Colin Sloper, principal of the first school to be recognised as a model of a professional learning community in Australia, and offers any school that is working to become a professional learning community a guiding hand as they begin, or continue their journey.

## Other Resources

- *Learning by Doing: A Handbook for Professional Learning Communities at Work™*, Revised Third Edition (SOT5473)
- *Collaborative Systems of Support: Learning for All* (HB7897)