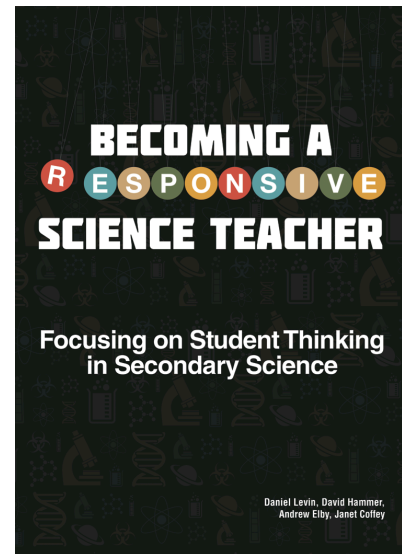


Becoming a Responsive Science Teacher: Focusing on Student Thinking in Secondary Science

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Summary:

When you begin a new unit and discover that some students don't understand an important concept, do you just correct the error and give them the answer? If so, you run the risk that students will memorise what you say without changing their core misconceptions. This thoughtful book explores how to identify such moments through “responsive listening” and turn them into opportunities to build students' science literacy.

In the process, you just may transform your approach to classroom teaching. To help you make the shift, *Becoming a Responsive Science Teacher* offers

- a philosophical framework for understanding the beginnings of scientific thinking in high school students
- five real-life case studies, four of which are captured on videos—and accompanying transcripts—available on the NSTA website
- suggestions for how to use the case studies to practice recognising, interpreting, and responding to the vital nuances of your own students' thinking in real time
- advice on next steps, including how to overcome systemic impediments and maintain your focus on student thinking

Becoming a Responsive Science Teacher is ideal for teacher educators as well as current and preservice teachers. The book holds out the promise that when you consciously strive to help students work through their ideas about science, the result can be more effective instruction from you—and much deeper understanding for your students.

Supporting Resources:

- *Designing Effective Science Instruction: What Works In Science Classrooms* (NST0782)
- *Captivate, Activate, and Invigorate the Student Brain in Science and Math, Grades 6-12* (CO1000)
- *Teaching High School Science Through Inquiry and Argumentation, Second Edition* (CO7533)
- *Engaging Minds in Science and Math Classrooms: The Surprising Power of Joy* (113023)