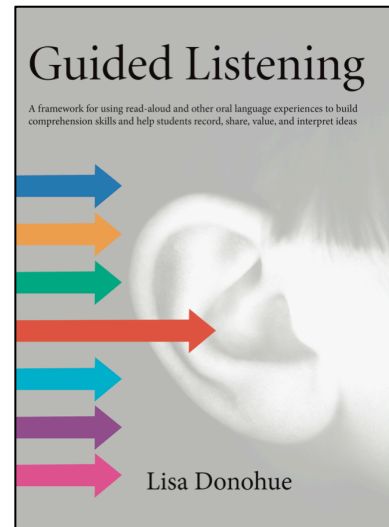


Guided Listening: A Framework for Using Read-Aloud and Other Oral Language Experiences to Build Comprehension Skills and Help Students Record, Share, Value, and Interpret Ideas

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Summary

Students are bombarded with all kinds of communication, and effective listening skills are essential for successful social interaction at home, at school and in the community.

Guided Listening illustrates how you can champion purposeful listening as you strive to help students better understand their language strengths and needs. It offers a practical framework and hands-on, reproducible activities and organisers that students can use to record, share and value the ideas of others. These tools for organising ideas give student opportunities to identify differences in the norms and conventions associated with oral language. They free students to listen more attentively, organise their response and watch for the subtle cues that are an important part of listening.

Guided Listening techniques support and encourage students to listen critically and respond appropriately. The strategies in this practical book involve students in

- analysing and synthesising information
- making inferences and predictions while listening
- transferring these skills to their independent reading and learning.

Oral language and independent reading are essential daily components of a balanced literacy program. The relationship between listening, reading and writing is the basis for the strategies in this important book. To help you integrate Guided Listening procedures into your classroom practice, the book is organised around common reading strategies: Making Inferences and Predictions; Determining Important Ideas; Making Connections; Visualising; Asking Questions; Synthesising. Tools that complement the strategies include reproducible graphic organisers, rubrics, forms for recording students progress and numerous worksheets. Suggestions for choosing Guided Listening texts and a comprehensive approach to assessment complete this valuable resource.

Guided Listening is committed to turning students who are passive observers into accountable learners who are eager to participate to classroom discussion and demonstrate what they know.

Supporting Resources

- *Guided Reading: A How-to for All Year Levels (CO7505)*