

Top 10 Tools is an asynchronous, comprehensive reading course designed to immerse educators in the science of reading. Literacy expert and author of *Morpheme Magic*, Dr. Deb Glaser, designed this course. It is aligned with IDA's Knowledge and Practice Standards for Teachers of Reading, and prepares educators to:

- provide evidence-based reading and language arts instruction
- build site-based Response to Intervention (RTI) and Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) processes
- prepare for the KPEERI exam and CERI certification

Educators can complete this virtual course asynchronously or train in cohorts. Top 10 Tools provides the WHAT? WHY? and HOW? and empowers teachers with the knowledge and practical application to develop strong readers and unlock the power of literacy for every child.

What is in each tool?

Each of the Top 10 Tools reflects a component of reading instruction and includes a combination of knowledge and practice —the **why** and the **how**—to ground practices in the science of reading.

TOOL1

Knowledge A Reading Teacher's Foremost Tool

TOOL 2

Oral Language A Foundation for Literacy

TOOL 3

Phonemes Paving the Way to Print and Meaning

TOOL 4

Phonics and Spelling Effective Decoding and Encoding Instruction

TOOL 5

Vocabulary The Blueprint of a Word

TOOL 6

Comprehension The Text and the Mental Model

TOOL7

Fluency Understanding Practice and Automaticity

TOOL 8

Writing Write! Written Responses to Reading

TOOL 9

Read Alouds A Tool for Building Language Comprehension

TOOL 10

Collaboration Two Heads are Better Than One

How is the course structured?

Top 10 Tools is a 45-hour, self-paced course. The 10 Tools are presented in a logical sequence but can be completed in any order to meet your most urgent needs. Each tool includes 5 segments to support educator knowledge and links the content to instruction in the required reading program or curriculum.

Educators who complete the course can also receive a micro-credential demonstrating competency in discrete educational skills.

PART 1

Introduction: sets the stage for your learning within that Tool – *What*?

PART 2

The Research:

provides up-to-date research on literacy instruction - Why?

PART 3

Practice:

includes classroom videos demonstrating effective teaching methods – *How*?

PART 4

Planning:

guides teacher implementation of knowledge and practice to transform classroom engagement – *Activity, Do*

PART 5

Wrap-up: summarizes key learning with an opportunity for personal reflection – *Reflection*

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The Top 10 Tools course was AMAZING. It was absolutely the best training I have ever received. It has helped me restructure grade-level interventions, develop connected lessons, and actually use the data rather than just gather it. My scores are soaring as a result of implementing the concepts, research, and practices presented throughout the course.

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