

Becoming An Outstanding Primary School Teacher

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Outstanding Primary Teaching and Learning

Haunted by the fear of teaching the same lesson twice, Stephen Lockyer always makes sure he has lots of ideas up his sleeve! In this exciting debut book, this highly regarded primary teacher shares 100 of this very best. The pressure to teach outstanding lessons and to be prepared for no-notice inspections can sometimes be a little overwhelming, but in this book Stephen's creativity and experience in the primary classroom shine through and he provides primary teachers with quick, practical and easy to implement ideas to help achieve outstanding teaching. His highly creative approach will also help you to create a positive, inspiring and exciting learning environment for every child. Every idea includes step by step instructions, teaching tips for putting activities into practice and links to online resources and useful websites. From literacy initiatives like 'DEAR' ('Drop Everything And Read') and marking motivators like 'Microticks' to essential playground survival tips, this book is a compendium of originality that will consistently take your lessons that extra mile.

Teaching Mathematics in Primary Schools

'This is an outstanding book: it should be high on the list of any primary school teacher's set of references and a required text for pre-service teachers.' Australian Primary Mathematics Classroom In our technology-rich world, numeracy is just as

important as the smartphone in your pocket. Students need to develop mathematical ways of seeing the world and strong problem-solving skills, and those foundations are taught in the primary school classroom. *Teaching Mathematics in Primary Schools* covers the mathematical content taught in primary and middle years, always emphasising how students can connect what they learn in mathematics with other curriculum areas and with the world beyond the classroom. The authors draw on the latest international research to show how teachers can develop a rich repertoire of classroom teaching techniques, and effective planning, assessment and reporting methods. They outline approaches to creating supportive learning environments for all students, and to building their knowledge and confidence in using mathematics. This third edition has been updated throughout and includes a new chapter on numeracy. Evidence-based uses of digital technologies to support learning and teaching are included in every chapter. With practical strategies that can be implemented in the classroom, this book is an invaluable resource for pre-service and early career primary and middle years mathematics teachers.

Inspiring Primary Curriculum Design

How to be an Outstanding Primary Middle Leader is a compendium of research, advice, anecdotes and practical tips to help middle leaders excel in this complex and demanding role, without compromising their mental or physical health. Written by Zoë Paramour, experienced middle leader and award-winning blogger of *The Girl on the Picadilly Line*, this book provides advice and practical solutions to challenges middle leaders are likely to encounter while leading a subject, phase or other whole-school responsibility, from having difficult conversations with colleagues and parents to dealing with an Ofsted inspector and writing a school improvement plan. All advice is drawn from Zoë's own experiences as a middle leader, interviews and conversations with middle and senior leaders, as well as research into leadership. In Zoë's unique, straight-talking and witty style, this book is an accessible and enjoyable read for both new and experienced primary middle leaders looking to reflect on their practice and maximise their impact.

No Outsiders in Our School

"Imagine you were cast adrift on a desert island with a school full of children in desperate need of a great headteacher. What eight qualities would you take with you to run your desert island school?†? In this inspirational book, some of the UK's most successful headteachers answer this question, talking openly about what it takes to effectively manage a school today. In candid and moving accounts we hear how they have both turned around failing schools and improved outstanding schools. Their thoughts, from vision, to courage and resilience, form the 8 key qualities which are examined in depth through the book. This is not a book about government-led initiatives, top-down models or politically-motivated attempts to change the way schools are managed. Instead, it focuses on the vital leadership ingredients that successful heads say work for them. It offers essential insights and advice into the challenges of running a school successfully and will be a source of inspiration for all school leaders and anyone thinking about moving into headship.

Picky Parent Guide : Choose Your Child's School with Confidence

This brand new resource provides much needed support for every primary school in the delivery of the objectives outlined in the Equality Act 2010; and in the provision of personal, social, health and economic education (PSHE) for every child. This resource provides teachers with a curriculum that promotes equality for all sections of the community. But more than that, the resource aims to bring children and parents on board from the start so that children leave primary school happy and excited about living in a community full of difference and diversity, whether that difference is through ethnicity, gender, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, age or religion. The resource includes 5 lesson plans for every primary school year group (EYFS- Y6) based upon a selection of 35 picture books. Issues addressed include: gender and gender identity, religion, sexual orientation, disability and age. There is an introductory chapter explaining the legal framework behind the resource, quoting Ofsted and the DfE. A second chapter focuses on creating the whole school ethos through assemblies, school displays and after school clubs. A third chapter focuses on engaging parents. Age 7+ Format 96pp, paperback (245 x 171mm) Andrew has been a full time teacher for 20 years and is currently the Assistant Head Teacher in a large primary school in inner city Birmingham.

Educating the Student Body

Journey to Outstanding helps head teachers create the school they've always dreamed of through three leadership strategies. Sonia Gill walks head teachers through leadership and culture building. She is a business leader and qualified teacher and helps school leaders create cultures of excellence in schools by developing leadership skills. While most school leaders can make a school good many are not as well trained in using three core leadership strategies for creating an outstanding culture: A clear shared vision that the team support. Creating the right adult behaviours and performance through successful difficult conversations. Growing the skills of the team so they are brilliant at their job and love coming to work. This book will tell you how to use these three leadership strategies to create the excellent school you have always dreamt of leading. Sonia Gill is a business leader and qualified teacher and understands how to create excellence in schools. Journey to Outstanding contains relevant leadership theory, case studies and activities with links to bonus material.

Inclusion for Primary School Teachers

'The indispensable guide that every aspiring SENCO needs.' Colin Grimes Written by Jackie Ward, a practising SENCO with a wealth of experience, How to be an Outstanding Primary SENCO is a step-by-step approach to excelling as a primary SENCO. Suitable for all current and aspiring SENCOs and linked to the SEND Code of Practice and legal requirements, this practical guide simplifies the terminology around SEND and explores issues a child might face and possible solutions. With a view to minimising workload and streamlining paperwork, Jackie does not shy away from the problems or potential setbacks that SENCOs may experience. Instead she

provides practical, realistic solutions and strategies to overcome these challenges, including how to support colleagues and parents, work with outside agencies and communicate policies more effectively. Focusing on a SENCO's own self-care and wellbeing, *How to be an Outstanding Primary SENCO* celebrates this challenging role to enable SENCOs not only to be outstanding, but to have a fulfilling, long-term career and improve the life chances of children with SEND.

Just Great Teaching

Physical inactivity is a key determinant of health across the lifespan. A lack of activity increases the risk of heart disease, colon and breast cancer, diabetes mellitus, hypertension, osteoporosis, anxiety and depression and others diseases. Emerging literature has suggested that in terms of mortality, the global population health burden of physical inactivity approaches that of cigarette smoking. The prevalence and substantial disease risk associated with physical inactivity has been described as a pandemic. The prevalence, health impact, and evidence of changeability all have resulted in calls for action to increase physical activity across the lifespan. In response to the need to find ways to make physical activity a health priority for youth, the Institute of Medicine's Committee on Physical Activity and Physical Education in the School Environment was formed. Its purpose was to review the current status of physical activity and physical education in the school environment, including before, during, and after school, and examine the influences of physical activity and physical education on the short and long term physical, cognitive and brain, and psychosocial health and development of children and adolescents. Educating the Student Body makes recommendations about approaches for strengthening and improving programs and policies for physical activity and physical education in the school environment. This report lays out a set of guiding principles to guide its work on these tasks. These included: recognizing the benefits of instilling life-long physical activity habits in children; the value of using systems thinking in improving physical activity and physical education in the school environment; the recognition of current disparities in opportunities and the need to achieve equity in physical activity and physical education; the importance of considering all types of school environments; the need to take into consideration the diversity of students as recommendations are developed. This report will be of interest to local and national policymakers, school officials, teachers, and the education community, researchers, professional organizations, and parents interested in physical activity, physical education, and health for school-aged children and adolescents.

Equity and Quality in Education Supporting Disadvantaged Students and Schools

Diagrams and practical examples from teachers' experiences around the world illustrate the advice given. Shows how to choose books, a room and resources. Explains how to establish a simple classification and cataloguing system. Shows how to encourage active teacher and student involvement. Explains how to make the most of limited resources. Ideal for teachers and others who are not trained librarians.

How to be an Outstanding Primary SENCO

Ross Morrison McGill, bestselling author of *Mark. Plan. Teach.* and *Teacher Toolkit*, pinpoints the top ten key issues that schools in Great Britain are facing today, and provides strategies, ideas and techniques for how these issues can be tackled most effectively. We often talk about the challenges of teacher recruitment and retention, about new initiatives and political landscapes, but day in, day out, teachers and schools are delivering exceptional teaching and most of it is invisible. Ross uncovers, celebrates, analyses and disseminates best practice in teaching. This is supported by case studies and research undertaken by Ross in ten primary and secondary schools across Great Britain, including a pupil referral unit and private, state and grammar schools, as well as explanations from influential educationalists as to why and how these ideas work. Ross explores the issues of marking and assessment, planning, teaching and learning, teacher wellbeing, student mental health, behaviour and exclusions, SEND, curriculum, research-led practice and CPD. This book inspires readers to open their eyes to how particular problems can be resolved and how other schools are already doing this effectively. It is packed with ideas and advice for all primary and secondary classroom teachers and school leaders keen to provide the best education they possibly can for our young people today.

The Educator's Guide to Preventing and Solving Discipline Problems

Over the last 40 years the Coombes School in Berkshire, UK, has developed an international reputation for its innovative approach to Nursery and Infant teaching. In this book Sue Humphries, the founder of the school, and Sue Rowe, the former headteacher, explore the principles behind the school and how others can learn from its approach. In particular, the book focuses on the innovative use of the school's environment as a unique 'outdoor classroom' and the development of a sustainable and safe environment in which pupils can play and learn. The Coombes Approach covers a comprehensive range of topics from curriculum design, pastoral care and the wider policy and community contexts in which the school has operated. Supported by an online resource bank of pictures of the school environment and pupils' activities, this is an essential read for school leaders seeking to learn from the successes of the Coombes School's unique approach to teaching.

Becoming an Outstanding Primary School Teacher

Everything you need to teach grammar in the primary classroom. What is the subjunctive mood? And when do you use a semi-colon? Are these questions that you, as a teacher, are afraid to ask? Cue this book! Written by two experienced teachers, *The Grammar Book* provides everything you need to teach grammar at primary level. Covering what you need to know as well as practical ideas to enliven your teaching, this book will make grammar fun and engaging – for both the pupils and for you too! Written in Zoë and Timothy Paramour's funny, frank and reassuring style, this definitive guide is all about the importance of teaching grammar as a tool for writing, not as an 'extra' and certainly not as a boring lesson.

Instead, the ideas presented are linked to a range of National Curriculum units, with original short texts through which the teaching of grammar is used to support the delivery of the wider English curriculum and prepare children for Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPaG) assessments. All teaching resources can also be downloaded from the companion website. Each chapter covers a different element of grammar and provides you with everything you need to know as well as teaching ideas, cross-curricular links and resources, making The Grammar Book a must-have resource for teaching grammar effectively at primary level.

How to be an Outstanding Primary School Teacher 2nd edition

A core text for those training to teach or newly qualified teachers, this book serves not only as a practical guide to primary teaching, but takes the unique approach of exploring the concept of outstanding teaching and how you can strive for and achieve excellence as a teaching professional from the outset of your career. The text is pedagogically rich and includes learning objectives, questions, case studies, a download site and reflective activities.

The Cambridge Primary Review Research Surveys

The 2nd edition of David Dunn's best-selling How to be an Outstanding Primary School Teacher, now updated to reflect changes in teaching initiatives and educational policy, including valuable new content on using technology in the primary classroom. This book features lots of easy-to-introduce activities and techniques that will propel satisfactory and good lessons into the outstanding category - not just when being observed, but all the time. And the best news? This book tells you how to do it without spending lots more time planning, researching and preparing 'out of this world' lessons. There are dozens of starters and plenaries and useful websites, and the author's own website offers resources to save you even more time. A must for all primary school teachers who want to become outstanding, not just for the inspectors but for every child they teach.

8 Qualities of Successful School Leaders

An introduction to leadership draws on a program developed for an elementary school to show how to apply the principles of "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People" to help everyone, including young children, identify and use their individual talents.

Journey to Outstanding

This book will help you to understand what inclusion is, what it means for teachers, parents and the wider community and how to create an inclusive environment in your own classroom. By busting some myths and looking beyond the labels, Nancy Gedge believes that every teacher can improve their practice for every child - because what is good for special needs is good for everyone! That's what being an inclusive teacher means. Full of practical ideas and advice, this warm and inspiring book is an accessible introduction to inclusion for primary school teachers. It translates the SEND Code of Practice into practical classroom strategies covering

topics such as: an inclusive classroom environment and what it looks like, the responsibilities of the teacher and how to set meaningful targets, plus lots of tips on how to get the best out of available support and intervention strategies. Nancy Gedge provides impassioned guidance in the form of real classroom anecdotes and tried-and-tested exercises together with a 'jargon buster' to help you decipher unfamiliar terms. NANCY GEDGE has been a primary school teacher for over 20 years, and is currently a SEND specialist in a mainstream school in Gloucestershire. Her knowledge in, and passion for, this area extends beyond the classroom – her eldest child has Down's Syndrome, and Nancy's inspirational blog, 'The Diary of a Not So Ordinary Boy', won the first TES Teacher Blogger of the Year Award in 2015.

Teacher Researchers: Creating the Outstanding School

What is meant by outstanding teaching? What makes the best teachers stand out from the rest? How can I develop my own practice to become an outstanding teacher myself? Whether you are training to become a primary school teacher or you are newly qualified and striving to improve your practice, this fully updated second edition of *Becoming an Outstanding Primary School Teacher* will support, inform and inspire you on your quest for excellence. Throughout, Russell Grigg draws on theory, research and case studies of real classroom practice to discuss what it takes to become an outstanding primary teacher today. This bestselling guide has been comprehensively revised to reflect the latest changes to the curriculum, including the National Curriculum in England for 2014 and Scotland's Building Curriculum for Excellence. It has also widened its scope to appeal to trainee and serving teachers, reflecting the new Teachers' Standards. Key topics include: defining and measuring outstanding teaching; understanding the theory, nature and scope of the curriculum; developing thinking skills in the classroom; understanding and meeting individual learning needs; using ICT to improve pedagogy; behaviour management; monitoring, assessment, recording and reporting. *Becoming an Outstanding Primary Teacher* will appeal to undergraduate and postgraduate students, including those on school-based programmes such as Teach First, as well as more experienced teachers seeking inspiration.

Brilliant Teaching Assistant

This book is full of vignettes illustrating how professional learning can be integrated into the day-to-day work of schools and, in doing so, focus on continuous improvement, enhancing teaching quality and raising student achievement. In presenting best practice exemplars to illustrate how professional learning can positively impact teaching quality and school improvement, this book will inspire each classroom teacher and school leader. It will support them in creating and sustaining a strong performance culture.

Qualities of Effective Teachers

Inspiring Primary Curriculum Design offers support and ideas for teachers, school leaders, teaching assistants and student teachers to develop their knowledge of the research related to curriculum design, giving specific and practical ideas to apply research in primary school contexts. This first book in the brand-new series

'Unlocking Research' combines practitioner expertise with world class academic research and reflects cutting-edge educational thinking from the only university-run primary school in the UK. Co-written by practising teachers and research academics and drawing from a wide and diverse theoretical and research base, each chapter includes examples of how schools approached designing their own curricula; providing a route map of ideas and questions for readers to explore in their own contexts. The aim is to empower educational professionals in reclaiming the processes of curriculum design from evidence-informed foundations and to identify opportunities to be bold, innovative and imaginative. Packed with innovative ideas and practical suggestions, this book highlights the importance of using research evidence to develop teachers' practice in the realities of their own classrooms and schools. This will be a key read for teachers, school leaders, teaching assistants and student teachers, especially those who recognise the important role of research in developing excellence in their practice.

The Coombes Approach

What does it really take to become a brilliant teaching assistant? Are you getting the most out of your current support role? Are you aware of the training and development opportunities available to you? How do you become more effective in the classroom? What can you do to take your career further? Brilliant Teaching Assistant answers these questions and many more. Outlining the key duties and responsibilities of the role, and illustrated with examples from practical contexts, Louise Burnham will show you how to shine in the classroom and focus on your continuing professional development to aim for the next step in your career in education. BRILLIANT OUTCOMES Understand the school curriculum, timetabling and planning Work more effectively with other school staff Learn what you can do to better support the pupils in your care

Lesson Planning for Primary School Teachers

Teaching for Mathematical Understanding develops the subject knowledge support and practical ideas from Tony Cotton's Understanding and Teaching Primary Mathematics into resources for full lessons. With an emphasis on developing outstanding lessons using a problem-solving approach, this highly practical guide is packed with activities that all trainee and practising teachers can use in the primary classroom. Covering each area of mathematics, every activity offers helpful step-by-step guidance, including teaching and learning objectives; resources; lesson outlines; ideas for differentiation; assessment for learning and key probing questions. Also featured in this text are call-outs to the information contained in the book's companion website, a shared site with a range of relevant resources to support and consolidate your learning. Teaching for Mathematical Understanding is an essential text for all trainee and practising teachers looking for inspiration and guidance towards outstanding mathematics teaching. Companion website features include: Video clips in which primary school teachers demonstrate concepts covered in the book through teaching to a real class PowerPoint presentations which provide support for those using the book as part of a teacher training course updated weblinks to external sites with useful teaching information and resources.

Special Needs in the Classroom

Flexible, effective and creative primary school teachers require subject knowledge, an understanding of their pupils and how they learn, a range of strategies for managing behaviour and organising environments for learning, and the ability to respond to dynamic classroom situations. This third edition of *Learning to Teach in the Primary School* is fully updated with reference to the new National Curriculum, and has been revised to provide even more practical advice and guidance to trainee primary teachers. Twenty-two new authors have been involved and connections are now made to Northern Irish, Welsh and Scottish policies. In addition, five new units have been included on: making the most of your placement play and exploration in learning behaviour management special educational needs phonics. With Masters-level reflective tasks and suggestions for research-based further reading, the book provides valuable support to trainee teachers engaged in learning through school-based experience and through reading, discussion and reflections as part of a teacher education course. It provides an accessible and engaging introduction to knowledge about teaching and learning that every student teacher needs to acquire in order to gain qualified teacher status (QTS). This comprehensive textbook is essential reading for all students training to be primary school teachers, including those on undergraduate teacher training courses (BEd, BA with QTS, BSc with QTS), postgraduate teacher training courses (PGCE, SCITT) and employment-based teacher training courses (Schools Direct, Teach First), plus those studying Education Studies. This textbook is supported by a free companion website with additional resources for instructors and students and can be accessed at www.routledge.com/cw/Cremin.

Teach Like Finland: 33 Simple Strategies for Joyful Classrooms

The Cambridge Primary Review Research Surveys is the outcome of the Cambridge Primary Review - England's biggest enquiry into primary education for over forty years. Fully independent of government, it was launched in 2006 to investigate the condition and future of primary education at a time of change and uncertainty and after two decades of almost uninterrupted reform. Ranging over ten broad themes and drawing on a vast array of evidence, the Review published thirty-one interim reports, including twenty-eight surveys of published research, provoking media headlines and public debate, before presenting its final report and recommendations. This book brings together the twenty-eight research surveys, specially commissioned from sixty-five leading academics in the areas under scrutiny and now revised and updated, to create what is probably the most comprehensive overview and evaluation of research in primary education yet published. A particular feature is the prominence given to international and comparative perspectives. With an introduction from Robin Alexander, the Review's director, the book is divided into eight sections, covering: children's lives and voices: school, home and community children's development, learning, diversity and needs aims, values and contexts for primary education the structure and content of primary education outcomes, standards and assessment in primary education teaching in primary schools: structures and processes teaching in primary schools: training, development and workforce reform policy frameworks: governance, funding, reform and quality assurance. The Cambridge Primary Review Research Surveys is an essential reference tool for professionals,

researchers, students and policy-makers working in the fields of early years, primary and secondary education.

Learning to Teach in the Primary School

A source of ideas for teacher educators who wish to improve teachers' skills in dealing with pupil diversity in mainstream schools. Particular emphasis is given to teacher development, both pre-service and in-service. In addition, the book provides practical guidelines based on the UNESCO Teacher Education Resource Pack.

Testing, Teaching, and Learning

Strengthen family and community engagement to promote equity and increase student success! When schools, families, and communities collaborate and share responsibility for students' education, more students succeed in school. Based on 30 years of research and fieldwork, this fourth edition of a bestseller provides tools and guidelines to use to develop more effective and equitable programs of family and community engagement. Written by a team of well-known experts, this foundational text demonstrates a proven approach to implement and sustain inclusive, goal-oriented programs. Readers will find: Many examples and vignettes Rubrics and checklists for implementation of plans CD-ROM complete with slides and notes for workshop presentations

How Very Effective Primary Schools Work

The national curriculum provides an outline of core knowledge around which teachers can develop exciting and stimulating lessons to promote the development of pupils' knowledge, understanding and skills as part of the wider school curriculum. The Teachers' Standards underpin professional practice and all teachers need to work towards and within this framework. This two-in-one handbook presents the National Curriculum Programmes of Study for ALL curriculum subjects for Key Stages 1, 2 and 3 PLUS the complete Teachers' Standards, making it a handy reference copy whether you are in training or practice. Also included is an introduction by renowned education theorists Dylan Wiliam focusing on the need for a broad and balanced curriculum in schools. A must-have resource for all teachers and trainee teachers!

School, Family, and Community Partnerships

Across OECD countries, almost one in every five students does not reach a basic minimum level of skills. This book presents a series of policy recommendations for education systems to help all children succeed.

The Grammar Book

State education departments and school districts face an important challenge in implementing a new law that requires disadvantaged students to be held to the same standards as other students. The new requirements come from provisions of

the 1994 reauthorization of Title I, the largest federal effort in precollegiate education, which provides aid to "level the field" for disadvantaged students. Testing, Teaching, and Learning is written to help states and school districts comply with the new law, offering guidance for designing and implementing assessment and accountability systems. This book examines standards-based education reform and reviews the research on student assessment, focusing on the needs of disadvantaged students covered by Title I. With examples of states and districts that have track records in new systems, the committee develops a practical "decision framework" for education officials. The book explores how best to design assessment and accountability systems that support high levels of student learning and to work toward continuous improvement. Testing, Teaching, and Learning will be an important tool for all involved in educating disadvantaged students—state and local administrators and classroom teachers.

How to be an Outstanding Primary School Teacher

Learning to be a primary teacher is a bit like becoming a superhero! It's not impossible, but it takes hard work and dedication to become that heroic individual, looked up to by the whole class, who is able to simultaneously be fun, creative, responsive to a range of different needs and who knows everything about all subjects! So to harness and develop your inner powers look no further than this essential core text. It will ensure you are fully equipped to: tackle planning and assessment with ease win the fight against poor behaviour overcome your worries about subject knowledge challenge and apply theory and research build your emotional strength and resilience stand tall as a professional and most importantly, protect and nurture the children in your care.

Achieving Outstanding on your Teaching Placement

A radical educator's paradigm-shifting inquiry into the accepted, normal demands of school, as illuminated by moving portraits of four young "problem children" In this dazzling debut, Carla Shalaby, a former elementary school teacher, explores the everyday lives of four young "troublemakers," challenging the ways we identify and understand so-called problem children. Time and again, we make seemingly endless efforts to moderate, punish, and even medicate our children, when we should instead be concerned with transforming the very nature of our institutions, systems, and structures, large and small. Through delicately crafted portraits of these memorable children—Zora, Lucas, Sean, and Marcus—Troublemakers allows us to see school through the eyes of those who know firsthand what it means to be labeled a problem. From Zora's proud individuality to Marcus's open willfulness, from Sean's struggle with authority to Lucas's tenacious imagination, comes profound insight—for educators and parents alike—into how schools engender, exclude, and then try to erase trouble, right along with the young people accused of making it. And although the harsh disciplining of adolescent behavior has been called out as part of a school-to-prison pipeline, the children we meet in these pages demonstrate how a child's path to excessive punishment and exclusion in fact begins at a much younger age. Shalaby's empathetic, discerning, and elegant prose gives us a deeply textured look at what noncompliance signals about the environments we require students to adapt to in our schools. Both urgent and timely, this paradigm-shifting book challenges our typical expectations for young

children and with principled affection reveals how these demands—despite good intentions—work to undermine the pursuit of a free and just society.

Learning to be a Primary Teacher

'Chris James, Michael Connolly, Gerald Dunning and Tony Elliott have produced a comprehensive analysis of the very effective primary school. Although the research for the book draws on the authors' experiences in Welsh Primary Schools, the range of literature cited and the analytical frameworks employed ensure that their findings have a much broader relevance. They define 'a very effective' school as one that provides high levels of attainment and rich educational experiences despite being located in extremely challenging circumstances. A key insight of the book is that although these schools are consequently 'extraordinary' their practice was in many ways quite 'ordinary'. This is because these schools worked in much the same way as the very best of schools have always done. In many ways, this as the authors note, is an optimistic message - that all children deserve to be educated in such very effective schools. The virtue of *How Very Effective Primary Schools Work* is that it makes clear those characteristics and strategies that can help every school to become great' - David Hopkins, HSBC iNet Chair of International Leadership, and formerly Chief Adviser on School Standards to the Secretary of State 2002-2005 'All children, especially the poorest, deserve capable, mature and well adjusted teachers and leaders who work together to lay firm foundations of learning and behaviour, then enrich and elevate everyone's learning far beyond that in optimistic cultures of security, persistence and hope. Based on solid research from 18 outstanding schools in challenging circumstances, this is the vital message of this important and unique book. Chris James and his colleagues show that highly effective schools need high functioning adults and communities who expect and get the best from everyone, dedicate themselves to others without burning themselves out, are not frightened of challenges and contradictions, stay around to fulfil their obligations to others and see their efforts bear fruit, and are emotionally comfortable in their own skin. If you want to become more effective as a school you will need to become more effective and adjusted as a teacher, a leader and an all-round human being. This inspiring and indispensable book, will stir and steer all who read it in that educationally essential quest' - Andy Hargreaves, Thomas More Brennan Chair in Education, Boston College All good teachers and headteachers are concerned with improving pupil attainment. In high attainment schools, they must recognize how to sustain success. In schools with low attainment levels, they must come to understand the challenges they face and find ways of overcoming the difficulties. This practical, research-based book describes the key approaches used by very effective schools. The authors explain how success can be achieved and maintained and describe ways of working that bring about high levels of pupil attainment. They also explain why these ways of working are successful. This book is essential reading for headteachers, teachers, students of educational leadership and management, school governors, and those who work in local authorities.

Teaching for Mathematical Understanding

If you have ever asked yourself "How do I become an outstanding teacher?" then this is the book for you. Combining state-of-the-art practices with deep insight from

many years" experience of teaching, the book develops and explains how to change practice and attain excellence as a teacher. Seven core themes are embedded in a four level hierarchy of practice that guides the reader from the fundamentals of successful teaching to the highest levels of accomplishment. The book offers:

- * A "one-stop-shop" providing a structured and supported approach to becoming an outstanding teacher
- * A unique action planning feature at the end of each level, creating a platform for your personal development
- * A range of guided reflection activities, to help develop your skills and understanding of the many aspects of teaching

The unique focus on your individual development and creating an authentic identity as the foundation for excellence makes *Outstanding Primary Teaching and Learning* essential reading for the every trainee teacher or those wishing to enhance practice. "There are a few educational texts that you do not want to put down, and this is one! The book will encourage, motivate and inspire trainee teachers, recently qualified, early career and established teachers to reach the heights of their potential. If becoming an outstanding teacher seems like an unattainable goal, this book will convince the reader otherwise. The author speaks to the reader, coaxing and encouraging, as if she was there by their side. She follows her own advice by creating innovative and stimulating sessions, but in text form. The accessible structure with reflection sections, activities, prompts, checklists, further reading, and thought provoking quotes and extracts, provides an interactive resource, for all those who aspire to be the best possible teacher for their pupils. In simple terms, an outstanding book, that provides a pathway through the minefield that education can be." Dr. Tracy Whatmore, Senior Lecturer at the University of Birmingham, UK "An easy to read book with sound practical advice underpinned by theory which every trainee teacher or early career teacher can dip into for guidance. It captures the essence of primary teaching through the metaphor of a coat and I'm sure readers will adapt their coats accordingly as they journey through the book." Professor Vini Lander, Edge Hill University, UK

"*Outstanding Primary Teaching and Learning*" is an absolute must-read for teachers of any age or experience who would like to become more outstanding in their practice. Written from a unique and highly reflective perspective of pedagogy as an art, a proactive and inspiring approach is taken to journey the reader along a personalised path, enabled through highly constructive and reflective opportunities. Sally Hawkins inspires with her clear passion to primary teaching and learning, and considers all aspects of that which it takes to develop "outstandingness". With her methodical yet holistic approach to pedagogy, "*Outstanding Primary Teaching and Learning*" takes a thoughtful and academic approach to deconstruct the constantly evolving machine that is primary education, into useable ideas and concepts. As a current PGCE student, I have found this to be an enormous asset to both my reflective practice in the classroom, but also through the contextualising of a complex and ever-changing education system." Alexander S Phipps, Postgraduate Student, Institute for Education, The University of Chichester, UK "Although this book is aimed at trainee primary school teachers, it will be equally useful for secondary school and more experienced teachers. By contextualising her examples around the analogy of "the perfect jacket", Sally clearly outlines the complexities and challenges of modern teaching. However, through the systematic approach that she adopts and the examples she gives, she makes these challenges both achievable and desirable. She de-bunks some of the myths around "outstanding" teaching and provides readers with clear frameworks and reference points from which they can evaluate and develop their

own teaching. Sally's writing style is both personal and humorous, which will engage and motivate busy teachers. She seamlessly combines the latest theories and applies them to classroom practice. By including regular reflection tasks, this book can become a valuable accompaniment to trainees regular mentor meetings. Those who engage with Sally's questions and follow her recommendations, will develop a deep understanding of the role of the teacher and will develop a substantial toolkit to draw upon in the classroom." Mark Bagust, Associate Headteacher, Cantell School, UK

How to be an Outstanding Primary Teaching Assistant

This book contains lots of easy-to-introduce activities and techniques that will propel satisfactory and good lessons into the outstanding category - not just when being observed, but all the time. And the best news? This book tells you how to do it without spending lots more time planning, researching and preparing 'out of this world' lessons. There are dozens of starters and plenaries and useful websites, and the author's own website offers resources to save you even more time. A must for all primary school teachers who want to become outstanding, not just for the inspectors but for every child they teach.

100 Ideas for Primary Teachers: Outstanding Teaching

Covers various aspect of effective discipline systems, including discussion of the crucial components of classroom discipline and universal techniques for teachers.

Becoming an Outstanding Primary School Teacher

Picky Parent Guide: Choose Your Child's School with Confidence, the Elementary Years (K-6), is the definitive action manual and reference guide for parents of school-age children. It is the first complete, high quality book that combines: 1. A thorough discussion of child and family needs in schools. 2. Research based guidance on school quality, regardless of school type. 3. A complete toolkit to organize the choice process for parents. Picky Parent Guide contains 22 Confident Choice Tools, checklists, and tables that organize and simplify the whole process. Readers can create customized lists of questions to ask principals, teachers and other parents when visiting schools based on their own unique child and family needs. The authors, nationally recognized school choice experts and parents of school-age children, Bryan C. Hassel, Ph.D. and Emily Ayscue Hassel have advised leaders from the school house to the White House. Here they help you get what your child deserves from school.

The Leader in Me

Easy-to-implement classroom lessons from the world's premier educational system. Finland shocked the world when its fifteen-year-olds scored highest on the first Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA), a set of tests touted for evaluating critical-thinking skills in math, science, and reading. That was in 2001; but even today, this tiny Nordic nation continues to amaze. How does Finnish education—with short school days, light homework loads, and little

standardized testing—produce students who match the PISA scores of high-powered, stressed-out kids in Asia? When Timothy D. Walker started teaching fifth graders at a Helsinki public school, he began a search for the secrets behind the successes of Finland's schools. Walker wrote about several of those discoveries, and his Atlantic articles on this subject became hot topics of conversation. Here, he gathers all he learned and reveals how any teacher can implement many of Finland's best practices. Remarkably, Finland is prioritizing the joy of learning in its newest core curricula and Walker carefully highlights specific strategies that support joyful K-12 classrooms and integrate seamlessly with educational standards in the United States. From incorporating brain breaks to offering a peaceful learning environment, this book pulls back the curtain on the joyful teaching practices of the world's most lauded school system. His message is simple but profound: these Finland-inspired strategies can be used in the U.S. and other countries. No educator—or parent of a school-aged child—will want to miss out on the message of joy and change conveyed in this book.

Setting Up and Running a School Library

How to be an Outstanding Primary Teaching Assistant is packed full of advice, tips and strategies to help teaching assistants deliver outstanding support in the primary classroom. Written by an experienced teaching assistant, this book explores the diverse range of roles and responsibilities held by support staff in primary schools and provides guidance on how to tackle them successfully. It features tried-and-tested ideas that can be easily implemented and helps teaching assistants to build a toolbox of skills and strategies to support children throughout their school career, whatever their ability or need. This easy-to-use book includes creative advice on how best to assist the classroom teacher and the children they teach, including those with special educational needs, English as an additional language, or behavioural difficulties. It is an invaluable resource for newly qualified and more experienced teaching assistants.

The National Curriculum and the Teachers' Standards

Remember those great teachers who made you excited about learning? Remember how it felt to be in their classes and to experience how they made their classrooms come alive? What made those teachers special? What qualities and skills did they have to ignite student learning? Most important, how did those teachers help their students become successful? In *Qualities of Effective Teachers*, 2nd edition, James H. Stronge shows educators how to recreate this same excitement and enthusiasm in their own classrooms by describing the characteristics and skills of effective teachers. Stronge synthesizes research to identify specific teacher behaviors that contribute to student achievement. Rather than look at outside factors like demographics, district leadership, and state mandates, Stronge focuses specifically on what teachers can control: their own preparation, personality, and practices. Learn how effective teachers

- *Prepare to be effective educators.
- *Establish, manage, and maintain learning-focused classroom environments.
- *Organize time, communicate expectations, and plan instruction.
- *Present curriculum to support active and engaged learning.
- *Monitor student progress, identify student potential, and meet the needs of special populations in the classroom.

This second edition includes new tips and tools for engaging at-risk students and high-ability students.

It also includes skills checklists and an expanded, annotated bibliography to provide a springboard for further insight and exploration. Teachers, educators who hire teachers, teacher leaders, supervisors, and teachers-in-training can all use this book to learn to how to develop better teachers and to improve the quality of learning for all students.

Troublemakers

Being prepared to teach every subject in the curriculum is an essential skill for all primary school teachers, and good lesson planning is a critical tool for coping with the workload, as well as for wowing your pupils, your colleagues, and Ofsted inspectors. In his new book, Stephen Lockyer provides a breakdown of lesson planning strategies, plus a range of practical and original ideas to use with your class. Using real primary classroom anecdotes, as well as helpful diagrams, tick lists and tips on how to implement planning techniques day-to-day, *Lesson Planning for Primary School Teachers* is a complete toolbox for primary school teachers who want to develop their key skills and strategies for lesson planning.

How to be an Outstanding Primary Middle Leader

Making a success of your teaching placement is a vital part of achieving qualified teacher status (QTS). With a focus on practical strategies and closely referenced to OfSTED, this book provides essential guidance on how to translate the 'outstanding' criteria into practice. The authors break down the OfSTED criteria so that you can easily identify the skills and knowledge you need to make the most of your placements. Packed with case studies, practical tasks and links to the QTS standards, the book is structured around: " developing professional knowledge " planning " how to be an outstanding teacher " classroom management " teamwork " assessment " Continuing Professional Development (CPD) This book will help trainees make the difficult jump from 'good' to achieving a Grade 1 'outstanding' on their placements. Jonathan Glazzard is Course Leader BA (Hons) in Early Primary Education at the University of Huddersfield. Jane Stokoe is Foundation Stage and KS1 leader, SENCO and Assistant Headteacher at Hoyland Springwood Primary School, Barnsley.

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