

***The Next Step Guide to  
Enriching Writing Instruction (2010)***

Rubrics and resources that validate what *works well* in the classroom and shows *what's next* on your staff's journey as writing teachers.

“If you're a novice to writing workshops, this book will help you on your journey as a teacher of writing. If you've been teaching writing for many years this book will inspire you further and help you incorporate new ideas. If you're a literacy coach or a principal of a school, this book will help you sift through the breadth of information to help others teach writing more effectively.” - Georgia Hears, author of *The Revision Toolbox* and *A Place for Wonder*

Their *Next-Step Guide Enhancing Writing Instruction* synthesizes cutting-edge ideas in writing instruction with two detailed rubrics to help you create classrooms in which young writers can flourish:

- **A rubric for leaders** helps principals, staff developers, and literacy coaches ascertain *what works* at your school and *what's next* so that together you can set schoolwide goals and provide time, resources, and professional development opportunities for writing instruction and word study.
- **A rubric for teachers** helps them assess their strengths and areas for growth in teaching writing and word study.

**Bonnie Campbell Hill** and **Carrie Ekey** provide a comprehensive overview of the workshop approach to teaching writing, including chapters on writing workshop, units of study, writing instruction, writing conferences, and word study; and address genre study, gender and writing, families and supporting writing at home, how to teach spelling and conventions, and suggestions for working with English language learners.

Each chapter walks through one strand of the rubrics and provides opportunities to develop common language and practices for writing instruction and word study:

- **ponder boxes** guide book study, stimulate discussion, and suggest next steps
- **book lists** point the way to further professional learning
- **full-color photographs and vignettes** from exemplary classrooms burst with practical examples and ready-to-use ideas.

Use the powerful tools in *The Next-Step Guide to Enhancing Writing Instruction* and take the guesswork out of identifying best practices in order to grow your writing instruction program.

“Just as we want all our students to feel valued, we hope that you'll feel affirmed for the good work you're doing, inspired to read further, and incorporate new ideas so that you can teach writing even more effectively, intentionally, responsively, and joyfully.”