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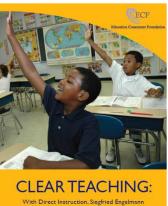
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This is a program that actually can deliver what it promises. It's a lifechanging experience for teachers and students. I could never give it up. I'd change jobs and take less money.

You will see changes in your kids within two weeks. Their attention is better. Kids who usually don't speak will speak and answer questions. You see these broken, beat-up kids who don't know anything and are used to being shamed. Their eyes are down, their shoulders are slumped. I've had these kids. It's joyous and fulfilling to watch them change. After one 45-minute lesson, they're on the edge of their seats. That's gold to me.

One hundred percent of our children in our classroom reading at grade level is every teacher's dream. And I wasn't getting it until I had this structure. I was always playing catch-up. I haven't seen the child yet that hasn't become successful with DI, whether they've come to school with the background knowledge or not.

DI was my savior as a teacher. It was a life vest for me. It kept me afloat.