**Teachers: Emmy / 4 & 5th Grade / 8 years teaching / public charter school**

kids don’t have access to a lot of books at home

* **what types of in-class reading activities do your students engage in?**

non-fiction esp for language arts - mix of silent, teach to kids, kids to each other

language based math program - teacher reads to kids

silent reading daily 30-45

nightly reading log - sometimes school text or their choice

questions to answer if it’s school text

* **how do you select in-class reading material?**
  + **how do you feel about that process?**

program curriculum / she can choose additional sources as needed

if not directly tied to text then she pulls in additional materials

* **are there specific in-class activities that you find students prefer?**

love reading non-fiction stories!! fact-based

love graphic novels

* **have you found any methodologies to be particularly effective in getting kids excited about reading?**

letting them choose!!

give parameters - but let them choose

writing is struggle for many kids but tying writing to reading gives concrete place to start = reading helps kids improve their writing skills and gives them jumping off point.

To determine comprehension - oral comp is valuable alongside writing (the easiest) or even drawing

* **what are your thoughts on technology in the classroom?**
  + areas where it’s helpful?
  + or harmful?
  + is there tech in your classroom?

LOVE it! doesn’t think its harmful. They use it all day everyday at home - so giving educational opportunities at school leverages those inherent device skills - giving kids access to a variety of platforms to show what they know only encourages them. If you want to express yourself with a powerpoint, go for it!

Chrome Books used in class // lexia45 program used based on reading level improvement - fluency scores and awareness improves

learning games are available once they’ve finished the program they’re working on.