

## Nellie Edge Online Seminar #3

# Joyful Accelerated Literacy with High-Frequency Sight Words: We Call Them "Heart Words"

### Chapter Overview:

- 1. Teach High-Frequency Words (Power Guide 1-24)**
  - Involve "Parents as Partners"
  - "Sing, Sign, Spell, and Read" (SSS&R) strategies: I, love, you, mom, dad...
  - Writing secret messages
- 2. Writing "Heart Word" Sentences (Power Guide 25-51)**
  - Building handwriting fluency with pink and purple "heart words" and sentences
  - Enjoy the rhythm of rhymes: t-h-e... t-h-e e-n-d: the end!
  - Visible learning tools: heart word, finger spelling cards, independent writing totes, and Stamp and Read Skinny Books
  - Teach Kindergarten-Friendly Handwriting through "heart words"!
- 3. Multisensory Teaching Lessons: (Power Guide 52-78)**
  - Teach "like" and "I can"
  - Learn to write and draw "cat" and "dog"
  - Rituals for celebrating mastery of "heart words": "Hip, Hip, Hooray!" — a class-made book
  - "Heart word" wall charts, floor charts, pillows, and messages
- 4. Sing, Sign, Spell, and Read! (Power Guide 79-92)**
  - Learn to write "because" and illustrate "I Can Read" pages
  - How to remember a word forever: the beginning of metacognition
  - F-r-i-e-n-d ritual and "This is my house" lesson
- 5. The King of "ing" (Power Guide 93-115)**
  - Playful multisensory lesson: "ing"
  - "F-a-v-o-r-i-t-e is my favorite new word"
  - How to make white boards
  - End-of-year information writing
- 6. Review and Goals (Power Guide 116-129)**
  - Accelerate learning with high-frequency "heart words": resources for you
  - Your goals and questions
  - Pursue a 15- or 30-hour practicum project to organize your "heart word" props and systems

### **Make These Best Practices Routine in Your Classroom!**

Read the *Self-Assessment Guidelines* and *Nellie Edge Practicum Specific Project*

*Suggestions for Seminar #3*. The registration form from University of the Pacific is included with each online seminar registration. Remember: you do **not** need to write a 3-page paper. You may choose a meaningful follow-up project from the Seminar Project Suggestions.

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