

Recommended Text Complexity Book: Grades 5-12

Rigorous Reading: 5 Access Points for Comprehending Complex Texts

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Call it close reading, call it deep reading, call it analytic reading—call it what you like. The point is, it's a level of understanding that students of any age can achieve with the right kind of instruction. In *Rigorous Reading*, Nancy Frey and Doug Fisher articulate an instructional plan so clearly, and so squarely built on research, that teachers, schools, and districts need look no further:

1. Purpose & Modeling
2. Close & Scaffolded Reading Instruction
3. Collaborative Conversations
4. An Independent Reading Staircase
5. Performance

Also included are illustrative classroom video and an online Facilitator's Guide.

