

Teacher Aide Professional Development One Day Workshop

Supporting Young Writers

CONTENT OVERVIEW

Understanding Writing

Teacher aides will be introduced to the aspects of the writing process and the secretarial and authorial roles of the writer;

1. Planning for Writing - Supporting students to plan their writing. Considering purpose, audience, text type.
2. Composing - Supporting students with composing through conversation, clarification of thoughts, ideas and demonstration.
3. Revising - supporting students to improve and enhance the clarity and fluency of text to meet the intended purpose.
4. Recording - Supporting students with correct spelling and grammar choices.
5. Publishing - Discussions re - presentation and considering needs of the audience.

Instructional Approaches for Teaching Writing

- A continuum of support for working with writers either one on one or in small groups
- Teacher aides will be introduced to modelled, shared, interactive and guided writing and the necessity for a different approach depending on the needs of the students
- Conferencing - Secretarial and Authorial roles.

Features of Various Text Types

A practical 'hands on' approach to understanding the purpose, structure and language features of the various text types. One text type will be studied in detail.

Grammar

Supporting Teacher Aides with knowing and understanding the basic grammar components of language.