

Reading: switching to the Big 10

Leave the day equipped to strengthen the teaching of reading comprehension and introduce a system of planning and assessment that builds teaching around 10 themes that are critical to developing superb readers. You'll have everything you need to launch: frameworks, posters, case studies, assessment materials, teaching advice, and access to an online portal of support materials.

The course covers the following:

- **Research:** Deepen your knowledge of the evidence base underpinning the Big 10 and consider the research about how pupils acquire comprehension skills and grow into proficient readers. Leverage this knowledge to create a strategic plan for enhancing reading outcomes in your school.
- **Reading across the curriculum:** The Big 10 Competency Framework can be applied to any text—fiction or non-fiction—making it a powerful tool for strengthening reading comprehension across subjects. By supporting reading to learn, it deepens pupils' understanding of non-fiction texts, enhances subject knowledge, and promotes rigorous content engagement. The framework also builds a strong bridge between reading and writing, helping pupils transfer author techniques into their own writing. Expect improvements in critical thinking, expanded vocabulary, and stronger writing outcomes.
- **Assessment:** Increase teacher knowledge of progression. Ensure there is excellent use of assessment for learning and responsive classroom teaching. Learn how the Big 10 can be used to enhance examination performance.
- **Tackling comprehension barriers:** Build knowledge of common issues and support teachers with diagnostic assessments to pinpoint specific problems.
- **Resources:** Supporting the Big 10 are easy-to-follow explanations, teaching advice, and adaptable resources—designed to help every teacher use the framework with impact.
- **Oracy:** Additional tools also support links between oracy and reading comprehension.



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Consultant and Trainer

"There is a wealth of research available to help schools strengthen reading instruction. Let me guide you through the key findings and show how they can be applied to enhance your school's approach. Teaching reading is both complex and multi-faceted—building in-school expertise is key to refining practice and improving pupil outcomes. In addition to the full day of training, you will have access to a suite of resources that will enable all colleagues to improve their professional knowledge base."



"Extremely useful. The course is already having an impact on reading."

"I feel totally inspired and determined to improve reading."

"Everything! It has given me a real boost to think more about how reading is taught and what the children need. Thank you for all the brilliant resources."

Prices (exc. VAT)

First delegate £250

Second & subsequent delegates from the same school £125

9.15am-4.00pm

Thursday 25th September 2025

Weetwood Hall, Headingley, Leeds

Includes lunch and refreshments

Participants gain access to supporting online resources.

In-school options also available.