



Shared Inquiry™ Essentials Course

Questions inspire! Asking the right questions at the right time is a skill that requires practice. Our Shared Inquiry Essentials course will help you develop and refine this skill so you can empower your students to read closely, think critically, and discuss actively. Inquiry helps teachers as well as students since it is a teaching skill with great application to many other subject areas.

This course is offered in two formats: as a combination of one day of live instruction followed by ten hours of web-based instruction or as a two-day, on-site training. Both formats are taught by our experienced Great Books professional learning consultants and are highly interactive. Participants will cover the basics of leading discussion, preparing a reading selection, asking effective follow-up questions, and conducting classroom activities.

Course Outline

- **Introduction**
- **Experiencing Shared Inquiry**
 - » Close reading
 - » Seating chart and discussion guidelines
 - » Participating in Shared Inquiry
 - » Elements and benefits of Shared Inquiry
- **Preparing to Lead Shared Inquiry Discussion**
 - » Questions in Shared Inquiry
 - » Drafting, testing, and revising interpretive questions
- **Leading Shared Inquiry Discussion**
 - » Creating a climate for discussion
 - » Asking follow-up questions
 - » Discussion logistics
- **Implementing Shared Inquiry in Your Classroom**
 - » Activity sequences in Great Books programs
 - » Assessment and reflection
 - » Introducing Shared Inquiry to your students

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call us at 800.222.5870 to host a course in your school/district.**