



## Shared Inquiry Essentials Course Description

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 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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