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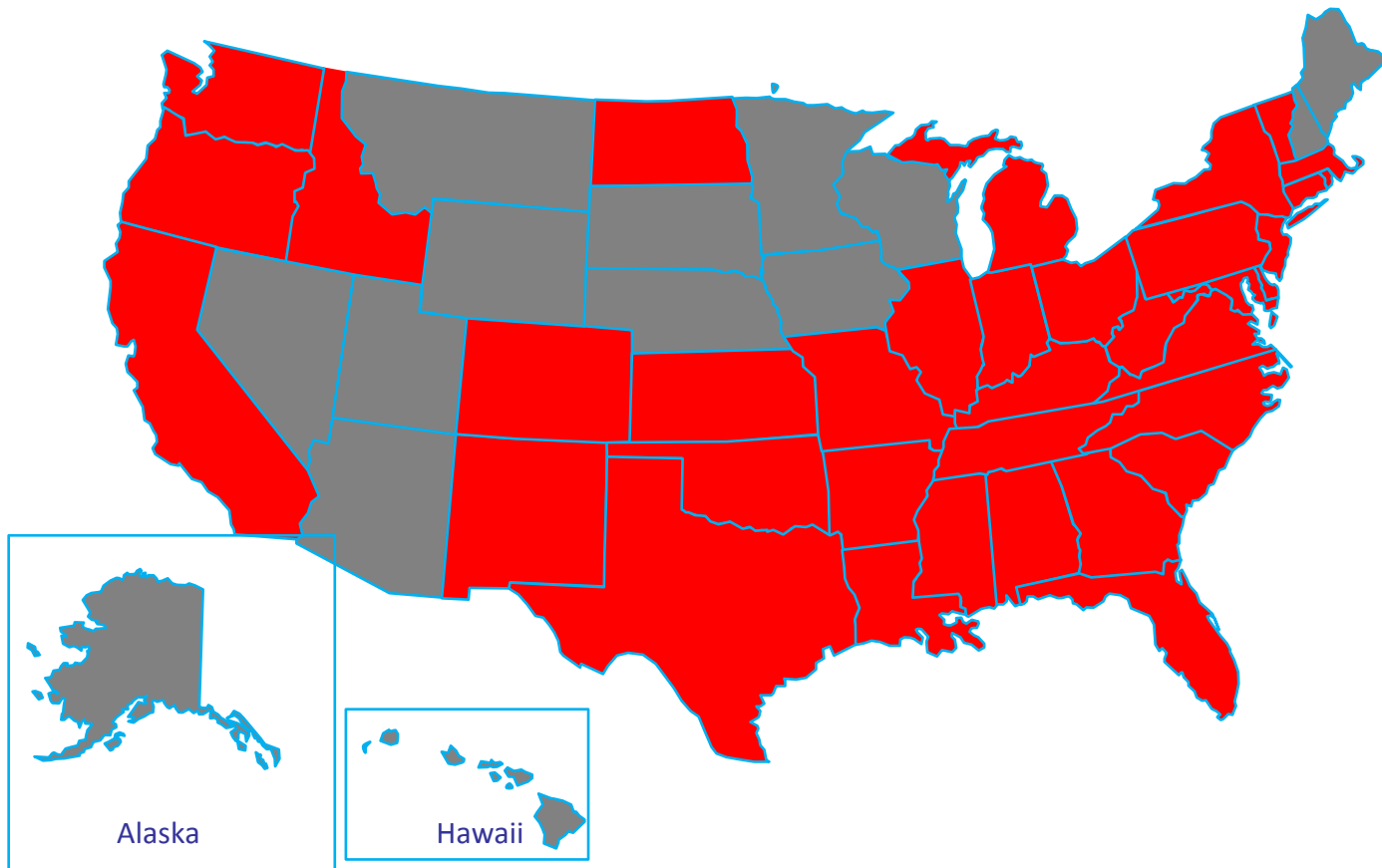
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## Literacy Design Collaborative Overview

*A framework to move from common core to classrooms*

# WHO WE ARE

The Literacy Design Collaborative (LDC) is a **community of professional educators** working together to prepare students for college and the 21<sup>st</sup> century workplace.



*TENS OF THOUSANDS OF TEACHERS IN 40 STATES ARE USING LDC TOOLS*

# WHY LDC?



- Supports teachers through the behaviors outlined in the [Teacher Support Toolbox](#), specifically assessment creation and lesson and unit planning
- Digitized process for teachers to master teaching the literacy demands of the Common Core
- High-quality content mapped to Common Core and subject or content standards
- Comprehensive online resources and “on-the-ground” professional development provided by Louisiana trainers/teachers
- Tools and resources for collection and analysis of student and teacher performance data aligned with [Compass teacher rubric](#)

# HOW WE DO IT



A teacher-created **online platform** guides teachers through a curriculum design process that impels the teacher to grapple and, ultimately, master the Common Core’s instructional shifts while providing access to:

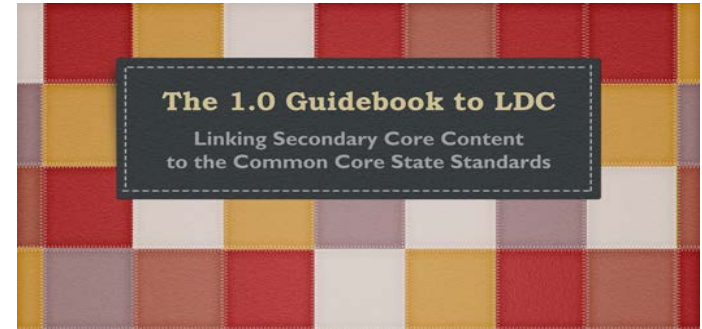
- Exemplary CCLS-aligned curriculum modules
- A library of vetted mini-literacy performance tasks
- Resource guides and teacher “how-to” videos
- Student and teacher artifacts
- Online classroom **tools that support Unit and Lesson Planning and Assessment in the Teacher Support Toolbox**

Everything teachers need to help students succeed.

# WHAT WE OFFER

## LDC FRAMEWORK DETAIL

### UNIT AND LESSON PLANNING

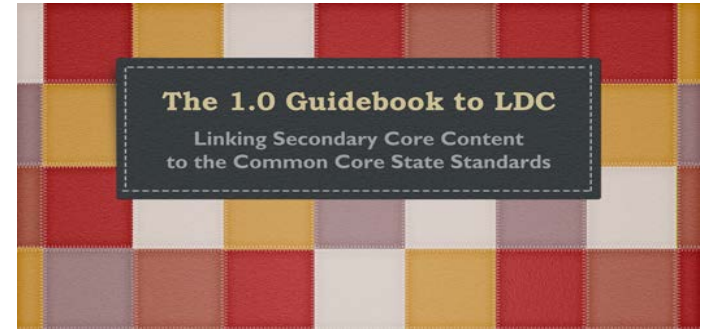


- The LDC Framework and tools provide **template tasks** to create argumentative, informative, narrative, or Socratic seminar **modules/units**.
- These modules/units constitute a playbook of 2-4 weeks of explicit literacy instruction, **using Text Sets in the Toolbox**.
- In modules/units, students engage with big ideas and produce work that highlights their mastery or challenges in demonstrating Common Core skills.

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### UNIT AND LESSON PLANNING



- The template tasks are designed for teachers to select the content they will teach, using expectations set by state content standards.
- Common core literacy demands are “hardwired” into the template tasks, but easily modified based on teacher instructional decisions.
- Teachers create daily lessons or “mini-tasks” using the LDC instructional ladder.
- **The instructional ladder supports the Daily Performance Tasks described in the Toolbox.**
- In short, LDC provides a straightforward way for teachers to infuse literacy instruction into content areas and increase the rigor of student work.

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### ASSESSMENT



- **The template tasks can be used to create culminating and extension writing tasks described in the Toolbox under Unit Assessment.**
- Template tasks can also be treated as a stand alone for assessments.
- Teachers can select student writing products from resources catalogued in an LDC library or they may upload or link their own tailored resources.



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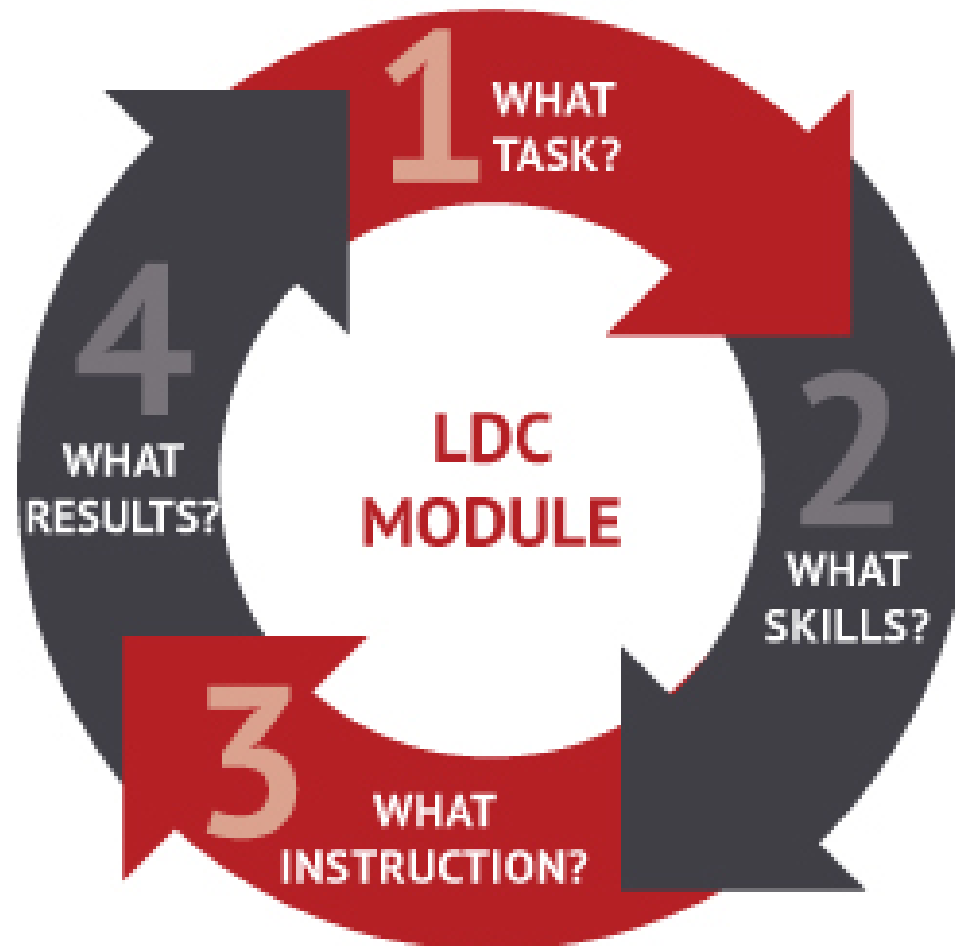


In short, LDC is not a “one-size-fits-all” publisher’s curriculum or assessment but rather a professional development design process that teachers engage in to “do Common Core,” thereby mastering the instructional shifts necessary for successful CCSS implementation and to meet the individualized needs of their students.



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## LDC FRAMEWORK





# Literacy Matters Video

# ONGOING RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT



Independent researcher, Research For Action, surveyed nearly 2000 LDC teachers and confirmed:

- 87% of teachers reported that LDC modules supported students' college readiness
- Over 90% of teachers reported it encouraged greater literacy skill development in math and science
- 83% of teachers reported LDC provided more detailed feedback on students' strengths and challenges
- Nearly 80% of teachers reported that LDC produced better student writing; 75% confirmed LDC supported student success on current statewide assessments

# FOR MORE INFORMATION... <http://ldc.org>



Why LDC

How LDC Works

Sample Curricula

CoreTools

LDC Results


About Us


## Harnessing the Power of Teaching Expertise


LDC is a national community of educators providing a teacher-designed and research-proven framework, online tools, and resources for creating literacy-rich assignments and courses across content areas.

[Learn More](#)



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Learn About LDC Results 



### How LDC Works

LDC offers teachers, coaches, and leaders an instructional system for developing students' literacy skills to help them meet and exceed the demands of the Common Core.

[Learn More](#)



### LDC in 40 States

The work of LDC partners in schools and districts across the country has enabled tens of thousands of teachers to improve students' literacy skills.

[Our Partners](#)



### Teachers Agree: It Works!

Based on a national survey conducted by Research For Action, more than 90% of teachers reported that LDC tools are effective in encouraging literacy skills in secondary classrooms.

[See the Research](#)



### Get Started. It's Free!

CoreTools is LDC's online collaboration tool where teachers can access, design, modify, and share lesson plans across the content areas.

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