What is Balanced Literacy?

Write Aloud/Modeled Writing

- demonstrates proficient writing
- expands access to writing beyond child's abilities
- exposes children to a variety of genres

Read Aloud/Modeled Reading

- demonstrates proficient reading
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- exposes children to a variety of genres

Shared Reading

- models reading strategies
- teaches reading strategies
- extends understanding of the reading process
- teacher reads

Interactive Reading

- teacher & child choose text
- teacher & child share reading
- teacher encourages child to read when able

Guided Reading

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- teacher engages child in questioning & discussion
- teacher acts as a guide
- child does the reading
- child practices strategies
- child builds independence

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Interactive Writing

- teacher & child chose topic
- teacher & child share pen
- teacher & child compose together

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Independent Reading

- · child chooses the text
- child practices at his or her independent level
- time to practice demonstrates the value of reading

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- child practices at his independent level
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of writing