
Pre-AP English Language Arts: Texts Take Center Stage

Overview: Texts take center stage in Pre-AP® English Language Arts, inspiring and preparing all students for close, critical reading. This workshop addresses the areas of focus within an English classroom: reading closely, valuing evidence, and noticing language choice. Through engagement with close-reading protocols, participants will explore how these areas of focus help the reader to observe the small details within a text in order to arrive at a deeper understanding of the whole.

Outcomes:

- Explore Pre-AP English shared principles, areas of focus, and model lessons emphasizing deep observation and analysis of texts through language choices.
- Apply Pre-AP instructional routines to classroom texts to enhance readiness.

Key Ideas:

- All students are capable of rigorous grade-level work with complex texts and tasks.
- Observing the small details of a text helps the reader arrive at a deeper understanding of the whole.

Agenda at a Glance (In-Person)

Segment 1: Welcome and Introduction to Pre-AP <i>45 minutes</i>
Segment 2: Exploring the Pre-AP Shared Principles and English Areas of Focus <i>60 minutes</i>
Segment 3: Lesson 1.1, Shared Principles, and Areas of Focus <i>45 minutes</i>
Segment 4: Lesson 2.3, Shared Principles, and Areas of Focus <i>45 minutes</i>
Segment 5: Collaboration and Planning <i>90 minutes</i>
Segment 6: Group Share <i>30 minutes</i>
Segment 7: Reflection and Closing <i>15 minutes</i>

Agenda at a Glance: One-Day Model (Virtual)

Below is a sample agenda of a Pre-AP Readiness Workshop scheduled for one day. One-day workshops are 6 hours total (5 hours of instructional time, 1 hour of break time). There is a maximum of 28 participants per workshop.

Day One Schedule – 6 hours	
Segment 1	Welcome and Introduction to Pre-AP
Segment 2	Exploring the Pre-AP Shared Principles and Areas of Focus
Segment 3	Model Lesson and Classroom Application
	Lunch
Segment 4	Model Lesson and Classroom Application
Segment 5	Collaborative Planning
Segment 6	Group Share
Segment 7	Reflection and Next Steps

Agenda at a Glance: Two-Class Model (Virtual)

Below is a sample agenda of a Pre-AP Readiness Workshop scheduled across two classes. Participants meet twice within two weeks for 2 hours 30 min each class. There is a maximum of 28 participants per workshop.

Class One Schedule – 2.5 hours		Class Two Schedule – 2.5 hours	
Segment 1	Welcome and Introduction to Pre-AP	Segment 4	Welcome Back
		Segment 5	Model Lesson and Classroom Application
Segment 2	Exploring the Pre-AP Shared Principles and Areas of Focus	Segment 6	Collaborative Planning
Segment 3	Model Lesson and Classroom Application	Segment 7	Group Share
		Segment 8	Reflection and Next Steps