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Sommario/riassunto

The assessment and instructional activities in this book are evidence based, practical and should be easy to implement. The text demonstrates how to link assessment and instruction practices for various components of literacy learning and aims to help teachers become informed decision makers about purposeful literacy instruction.
