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Sommario/riassunto	This book provides an overview of current research on quality professional development and how it aligns with the National Science Education Standards. It includes fourteen professional development programs that provide real-life models of how to train current or future teachers to carry out the constructivist, inquiry-based approach recommended by the Standards.