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Offers school leaders guidance for designing and implementing a sustainable professional growth process, demonstrates how participants can develop individual action plans, and helps redefine school improvement efforts.
