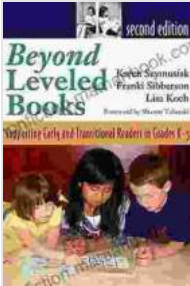


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Transitional readers are students who are moving beyond leveled books but not yet reading at grade level. They often face challenges with fluency, comprehension, and vocabulary. As a result, they may struggle to keep up with their peers in the classroom.

Creating a classroom library that meets the needs of transitional readers is essential for supporting their success. A well-stocked library will provide students with access to books that are appropriate for their reading level and interests. It will also help them to develop the skills they need to become successful readers.

Step 1: Assess Your Students' Reading Levels

The first step in creating a classroom library for transitional readers is to assess their reading levels. This can be done through a variety of methods, such as running records, anecdotal notes, and standardized testing. Once you know your students' reading levels, you can start to select books that are appropriate for them.

Step 2: Choose Books That Are Interesting and Engaging

Transitional readers need books that are interesting and engaging. They are more likely to read books that they enjoy, so it is important to select books that are appropriate for their interests. You can ask your students what they like to read, or you can look for books that are popular with other students in their grade level.

Step 3: Provide a Variety of Texts

Transitional readers need to be exposed to a variety of texts in order to develop their reading skills. This includes fiction, nonfiction, poetry, and drama. It is also important to provide books that are at different reading levels. This will allow students to challenge themselves and grow as readers.

Step 4: Make Books Accessible

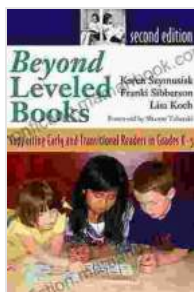
It is important to make books accessible to transitional readers. This means having a variety of books available in the classroom library. It also means creating a comfortable and inviting space where students can read. You can do this by providing bean bags, pillows, and other comfortable seating.

You can also create a "reading corner" in the classroom where students can go to read quietly.

Step 5: Encourage Reading

The best way to support transitional readers is to encourage them to read. This means providing them with opportunities to read both in and out of school. You can create a reading club, offer extra credit for reading, or simply set aside time each day for students to read. The more students read, the better they will become at it.

Creating a classroom library that meets the needs of transitional readers is essential for supporting their success. By following the steps outlined in this article, you can create a library that will help your students to develop the skills they need to become successful readers.



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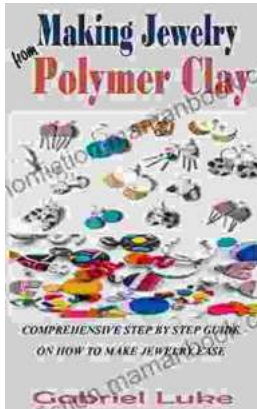
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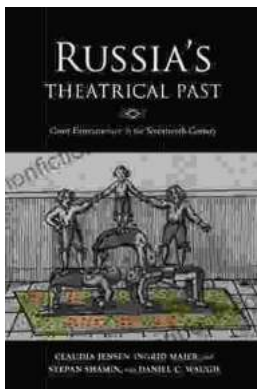
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