

Every Teacher Matters Book Club Meeting Summary

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Our staff really enjoyed reading this book because we felt it had a lot of affirmations about the fine job that teachers do while focusing on positive practices. One teacher said “There were not a lot of new ideas in this book but what I enjoyed was how it pulled together a lot of good practices. It was an easy read and affirming of the great things about teaching.” There were a lot of great self-care practices that transfer over to skills that we can teach our students. One teacher commented that “while we cannot control a child's home environment, we can control the environment for all the learners at school.” Discussing the book led us into a great discussion about some of the practices that we find work well in our classrooms to help create a calm and nurturing environment for our students.