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Distance Learning Webinars Available Online!

Over the past several months NIFDI has hosted several popular webinars on how to deliver Direct Instruction programs in a distance learning environment. These webinars were attended by hundreds of educators around the world as live events. The feedback was overwhelmingly positive.

The webinars help viewers understand the strengths and limitations of various delivery modes (live individual or group instruction, prerecorded lessons, packets of homework, and others). NIFDI has made these webinars available for on-demand viewing through our store.



Programs covered include

- Corrective Reading Decoding A
- · Corrective Reading Decoding B1, B2 and C
- Reading Mastery Signature Grades K and 1 Language
- Reading Mastery Signature Grades K and 1 Reading (2 parts)

Each webinar is about 75 minutes long. The purchase price of \$40.00 includes all participant materials as well as a link to the presentation. This pricing is for indivdial use. Please contact us at info@nifdi.org for school pricing. Go to <u>https://www.nifdi.org/store/category/19-training-materials.html</u> to purchase the webinars.

Engelmann Foundation Accepting Grant Requests

The Engelmann Foundation, created in 1997, is dedicated to continuing the legacy of Siegfried "Zig" Engelmann through the support, promotion and development of educators around the world implementing Direct Instruction with their students. Over the past 20 years the foundation has distributed 56 grants totaling over \$325,000.

The Engelmann Foundation offers two grant opportunities: Conference Grants and General Grants. Conference Grants are tailored to provide funds to attend the annual National Direct Instruction Conference hosted by the National

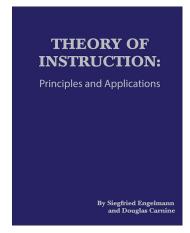


Institute for Direct Instruction in Eugene, Oregon each July. General Grants are designed to

support projects, training and development, implementation and other similar endeavors that utilize Direct Instruction (DI) programs. Both grant application types operate on a twice-yearly schedule. The deadlines for submitting grants are 5:00pm PDT December 1st and June 1st. Note that while grant applications are accepted on an on-going basis, applications will be held for consideration until the next grant cycle deadline.

For more information on the foundation and to make a grant application, go to <u>https://engelmannfoundation.org/</u>

Theory of Instruction Reaches Over 20,000 Views Worldwide!



Five years ago Doug Carnine, co-author with Siegfried Engelmann of the landmark text *Theory of Instruction*, funded the conversion of the book to a digital format. His purpose in funding the conversion was so that the book could be offered electronically via <u>ResearchGate</u>. ResearchGate is a free service available to scientists and researchers and has 17 million members. It connects people doing research in hundreds of fields, including education and human development. Authors can publish their publications, increasing the diffusion of information across a wide range of readers.

A feature of this website is the ability to track how many people have accessed a specific work. We note that *Theory of Instruction* has been viewed over 20,000 times worldwide. Of particular interest is that the United Kingdom lays claim to the largest group of viewers. This coincides with the growing interest of DI in the UK.

If you don't qualify for a free ResearchGate account you can purchase the book in Kindle or print format from our <u>online store</u>. Thank you, Doug, for your ongoing support for Direct Instruction. We send our congratulations for reaching this milestone!

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