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Still Time to Enroll in NIFDI's In-Person Coaching Academy!

There is still time to register for our in-person DI Coaching Academy! On February 3 and 4, veteran trainer Tamara Bressi will present *Analyzing Data, Classroom Observations & Providing Feedback*. This two-day training at the Doubletree Hotel–Atlanta Airport is designed for instructional coaches, peer coaches, and others responsible for observing instruction and improving student performance.

Through demonstrations, practice, and hands-on activities, participants will learn how to:

- Gain meaningful information from lesson progress and in-program mastery data.
- Model how to improve written records.
- Conduct supportive classroom observations and demonstrations aimed at increasing student success.
- Provide effective oral and written feedback to instructors to directly impact student performance.
- Conduct classroom demonstration, in-class coaching and team teaching.
- Design and deliver effective, on-going professional development sessions.

A description and registration information is available on our [website](#). You can also contact Bryan Wickman, NIFDI's Outreach Events Coordinator, at 1.877.485.1973 or by email at bwickman@nifdi.org with questions or for more information.

UK School Leaders Talk About Partnering with NIFDI



One of the most important steps a school that is starting to implement DI can take is to contact school leaders who have been successful with DI. Through this contact, new DI practitioners can learn from the experiences of veteran DI practitioners to ensure that their students are also successful with DI. Over the course of 25 years, NIFDI has had the privilege of partnering with schools across the US and in other countries. (Click [here](#) for success stories of NIFDI partners.) This month we are featuring two interviews (lasting about 10 minutes) with instructional leaders from the United Kingdom. They share their experiences working with NIFDI and how it has affected the instructional practices of educators they supervise and, in turn, the performance of the students they teach.

In the first video, Nazam Hussain, School Psychologist in Bradford, United Kingdom, describes the implementation of Language for Learning and Reading Mastery in 2 Primary Schools. NIFDI began working in Bradford when Nazam attended the National Direct Instruction Conference in 2019. He was interested in improving the professional development opportunities for teachers beyond what he describes as “one-off presentations that have no effect.” He further describes how NIFDI support is the polar opposite of that type of training. “The thoroughness and robustness of the training was rigorous and professional but sensitive to the individual. The schools like the support, and they are seeing the results.”

The second featured interview is with Robin Shakespeare, Director of Education, Midland Academies Trust based in Nuneaton, United Kingdom. NIFDI began partnering with the Midlands Academy Trust and the UK Direct Instruction Hub in 2018. The Education Endowment Fund was calling for research on improving math skills in students in their secondary schools (US equivalent to 7th-9th grade). The staff had been using DI for several years but had not received formal training. Once we began working together, the Midlands leadership quickly realized the benefits of the NIFDI partnership. As Robin describes, “When you work with NIFDI, you work with a group of people who are professional, passionate and challenging—in the best sense of the word.” To describe the impact of NIFDI support, Robin says, “I would use the word *transformational* to characterize our relationship with NIFDI.”

[Click here](#) to view these short, 10 minute stories.

Plan now to join us in-person!

48th National Direct Instruction Conference and Institutes
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National Direct Instruction Conference Registration Opens Soon

NIFDI will be holding the 48th National Direct Instruction Conference in Eugene, Oregon, July 25-39, 2022. The conference will be an in-person training and will include training on the new *Reading Mastery Transformations* program as well as all of the other main DI programs. Two of our Institutes, DI Coaching and Becoming an Effective DI Trainer, will begin on Monday, July 25, and conclude on Friday, July 29. All other sessions, including the Administrator Leadership Institute, will begin on Tuesday, July 26.

We are thrilled to welcome Dr. Anita Archer as the keynote speaker at the conference opening on July 26. Anita is a nationally recognized speaker, author, and consultant. She has authored and co-authored numerous instructional programs, including *REWARDS* and *REWARDS Plus*, and the popular text, *Explicit Instruction*.

Mark your calendar now and plan on spending a productive and enjoyable week with our team of expert trainers. Registration will open the week of January 17. To view the schedule, lodging, and cost information, [click here](#).

Last Chance to Get Your Free Copy of Teaching Needy Kids!

In celebration of the 90th anniversary of Siegfried "Zig" Engelmann's birth on November 26th, 2021, NIFDI has made his memoir, *Teaching Needy Kids in our Backwards System*, available for the cost of shipping and handling (\$5.00). We are extending this offer until Friday, January 7. After that, the book will go back to its \$32.00 list price.



Zig devoted most of his life to bettering the lives of children by applying his theory of instruction (Direct Instruction) to a set of instructional programs. These programs are unparalleled in their efficacy with all learners, particularly learners at risk for failure. Read about the early development of DI, behind-the-scenes perspectives on Project Follow Through, Zig's pioneering work with students with severe disabilities, and much more. Place your order for the book while supplies last by [clicking here](#).

NIFDI was founded by Zig to work with schools worldwide to implement Direct Instruction with a high level of fidelity. We are proud to continue his legacy of helping all students realize their highest potential with DI.

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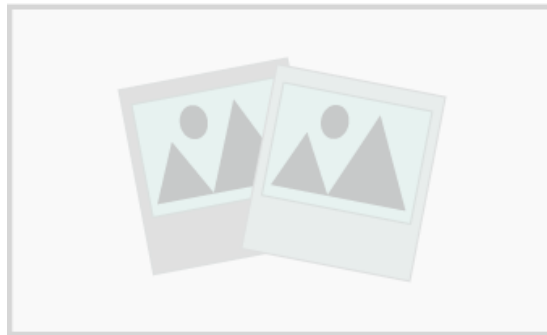
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