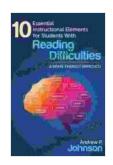
10 Essential Instructional Elements For Students With Reading Difficulties: A Brain Friendly Approach

For students with reading difficulties, the path to literacy can be a long and challenging one. However, with the right instruction and support, these students can overcome their difficulties and achieve success in reading.

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There are 10 essential instructional elements that have been identified as being critical for students with reading difficulties. These elements are:



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1. **Phonemic awareness** is the ability to hear and manipulate the individual sounds in words. This is a critical skill for reading, as it allows students to decode words and understand their meaning.

- 2. **Phonics** is the relationship between letters and sounds. This skill is essential for students to be able to decode words and read fluently.
- 3. **Vocabulary** is the knowledge of words and their meanings. This skill is essential for students to be able to understand what they are reading.
- 4. **Comprehension** is the ability to understand what you read. This skill involves being able to identify the main idea of a passage, as well as the supporting details.
- Fluency is the ability to read quickly and accurately. This skill is essential for students to be able to read independently and for pleasure.
- 6. **Motivation** is the desire to read. This skill is essential for students to be able to persevere with reading, even when it is difficult.
- 7. **Self-esteem** is the belief in one's own ability to succeed. This skill is essential for students to be able to overcome the challenges of reading.
- 8. **Teacher knowledge** is the knowledge and skills that teachers need to be able to effectively teach students with reading difficulties. This knowledge includes an understanding of the different types of reading difficulties, as well as the effective instructional strategies for each type of difficulty.
- 9. **Classroom environment** is the setting in which students learn to read. This environment should be supportive and encouraging, and it should provide students with the resources they need to succeed.
- 10. **Family involvement** is the involvement of parents and other family members in the student's reading instruction. This involvement can

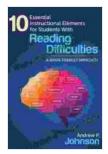
help to motivate the student and provide support for the student's learning.

How to Implement These Essential Instructional Elements

There are a number of ways that teachers can implement these essential instructional elements in their classrooms. Some of these strategies include:

- Use explicit instruction to teach students the skills they need to read.
 This instruction should be systematic and sequential, and it should provide students with multiple opportunities to practice their skills.
- Use a variety of instructional materials to meet the needs of all students. These materials should include texts that are at the student's instructional level, as well as materials that are interesting and engaging.
- Provide students with feedback on their reading progress. This feedback should be specific and helpful, and it should help students to identify areas where they need to improve.
- Create a supportive and encouraging classroom environment. This environment should be free from distractions, and it should provide students with the resources they need to succeed.
- Encourage family involvement in the student's reading instruction.
 This involvement can help to motivate the student and provide support for the student's learning.

By implementing these essential instructional elements, teachers can help students with reading difficulties to overcome their challenges and achieve success in reading.



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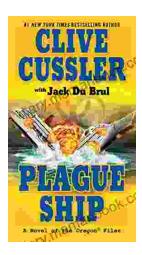


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