Guided Reading with First Graders #1 ---AT A GLANCE

BOOK INTRODUCTION (teacher has only copy of the book):

- 1. Involve students in discussion about the title and cover.
- 2. Help students establish links to prior knowledge
- 3. "Plant" new or "tricky" words and language patterns.

PICTURE WALK (teacher has only copy of the book):

- Encourage students to make story predictions based on the pictures. (You may want to cover the words so focus is on getting meaning from the illustrations.)
- 2. Discuss important concepts of the story.
- 3. Include new or "tricky" words and language patterns.

STRATEGY FOCUS:

1. Ask students what strategy/strategies they might use when they come to a "tricky" part.

FIRST READING (each child has a copy of the book):

- 1. The group reads the story orally.
- 2. Each student reads at his/her own pace.
- 3. You move around the group to listen to each student.
- 4. Praise for strategy use that you observe.
- 5. Give appropriate prompts to encourage strategy use when needed.

STRATEGY REINFORCEMENT:

- 1. **VALIDATE** a strategy you observed being used.
- 2. Ask students to share strategies they used.

BOOK TALK:

- 1. Involve students in retelling the story.
- 2. Check for student understanding.

INDEPENDENT READING:

- 1. Students reread the new book with a partner.
- 2. Students reread the new book independently.
- 3. New book is placed where students can use it as a familiar reread.