



Setting Up an 03 Kit

It's super important that you set up an 03 kit before starting conferences. The 03 kit is a rolling cart that has any supplies that you will need in advance of starting the conferences. My 03 kit includes:

For Stamina

- ✓ Stamina checklists
- ✓ Timers
- ✓ Sticky notes
- ✓ Book marks
- ✓ Reading calendar templates

For Love

- ✓ A few really engaging books
- ✓ Book recommendations from other students
- ✓ Suggested Playlists
- ✓ Toobalooos

For Retells

- ✓ Retell graphic organizers
- ✓ Model Retells
- ✓ Retell checklists

The 03 kit will save you time, I promise, but it requires prep work. In your 03 kit, create file folders. The file folders should be organized by each CCSS. Each time you teach a lesson, file the lesson plan and the student worksheet if you used one, into that standard. For instance, you are meeting with Pamela, and Pamela didn't do well analyzing how the point of view of different characters are contrasted. Pull out the lesson that you did on that standard. Immediately start with the hook that you taught and share the hook again with Pamela. *"Pamela, I want to go back to Snow White. In Snow White, what does she want more than anything? How does she see the world? What about the prince? The queen? Grumpy? How are their views about the world different?"* Say, *"One thing we are working on is contrasting the different points of view of characters. Who are the different characters in your story?"* Then, guide Pamela toward mastering the skill in her story. Tell Pamela to go back to her seat and work on that standard... not the standard you are working on in class. I know that's a little funky. The reason why I do that is Pamela isn't going to be able to do both standards (her goal standard and the day's aim) well at once. Am I going to pull Pamela for an 03 during independent work when she's struggling with that day's aim? No. I find a time where she's doing fine, then I pull her. I need to prioritize helping her demonstrate mastery for a standard where she needs more help. Without the 03 kit, my conferences were a mess. Trust me. Put it together. It saved me.

The week before classes start, spend time setting up the 03 kit because it takes awhile to get it set up. During Rachel Ray's cooking shows, she grabs all the materials first and then starts cooking because it saves her a ton of time. Don't run to the refrigerator in between conferences. Prep everything first, and then you will maximize the time you can spend with kids.