**Powerful Learning: What We Know About Teaching for Understanding**

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**DESCRIPTION**

In *Powerful Learning*, Linda Darling-Hammond and an impressive list of co-authors offer a clear, comprehensive, and engaging exploration of the most effective classroom practices. They review, in practical terms, teaching strategies that generate meaningful K–2 student understanding, and occur both within the classroom walls and beyond. The book includes rich stories, as well as online videos of innovative classrooms and schools, that show how students who are taught well are able to think critically, employ flexible problem-solving, and apply learned skills and knowledge to new situations.

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• Essential information. Clear, comprehensive, and succinct highlight of the most effective teaching and learning strategies to support meaningful learning.

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