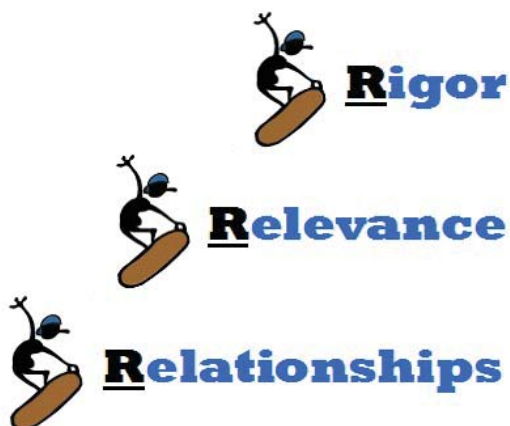


# **BEGINNING TEACHER CONFERENCE**

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## ***Evaluation Summary***



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## *General Conference Ratings -- Summary*

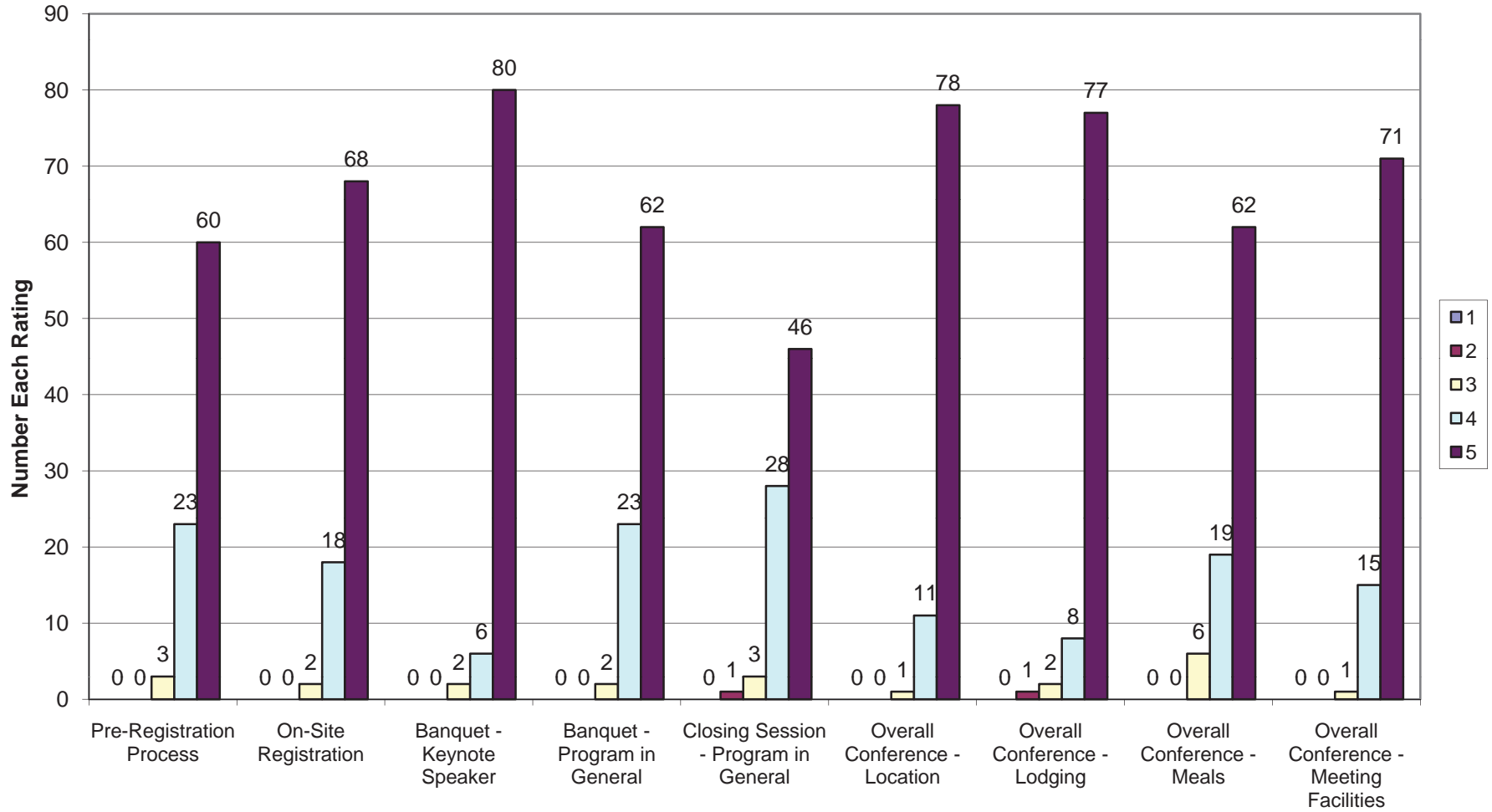
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4.66	<i>CGR01: Pre-Registration Process</i>
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4.89	<i>CGR03: Banquet -- Keynote Speaker</i>
4.69	<i>CGR04: Banquet -- Program in General</i>
4.53	<i>CGR06: Closing Session -- Program in General</i>
4.86	<i>CGR07: Overall Conference -- Location</i>
4.83	<i>CGR08: Overall Conference -- Lodging</i>
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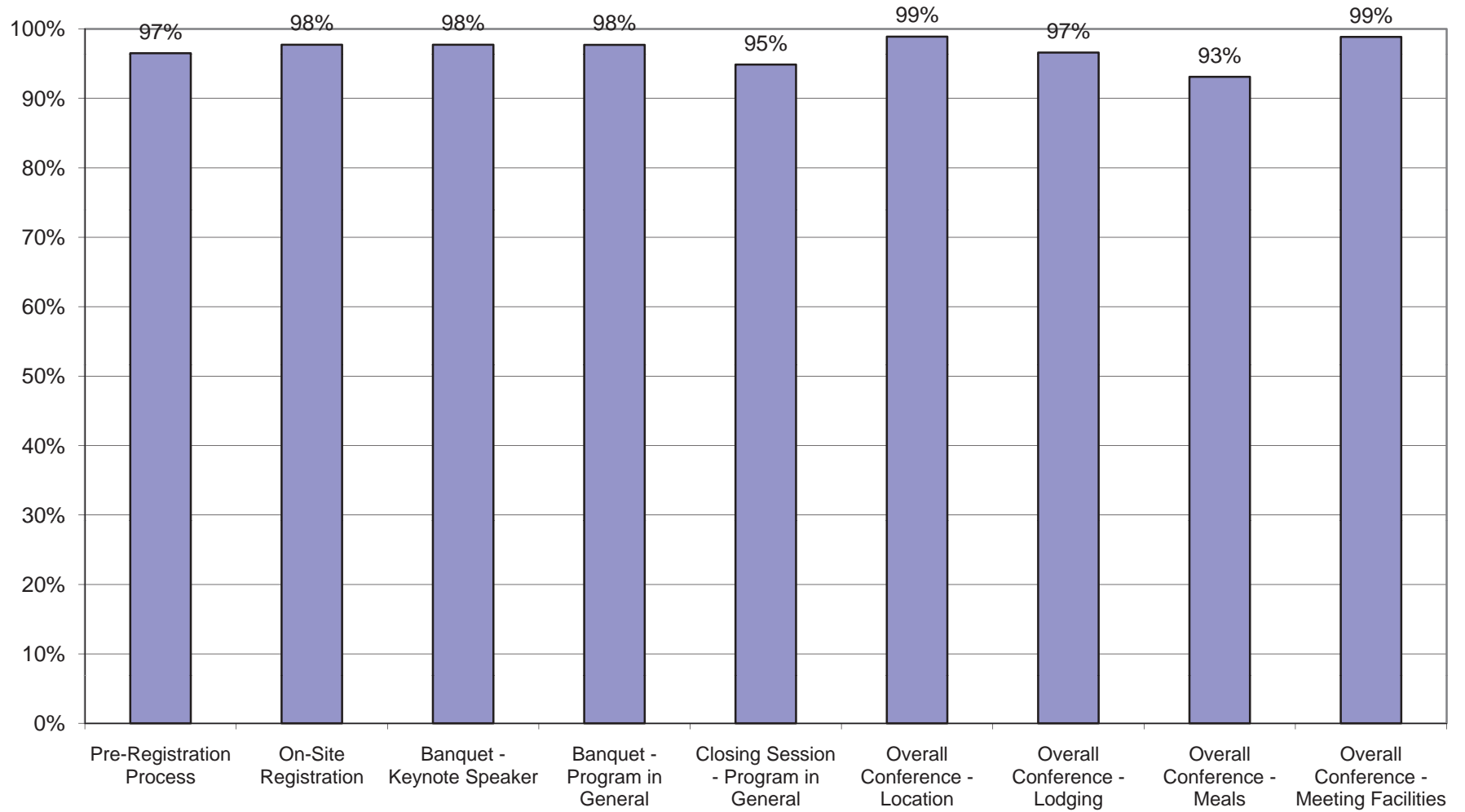
## Beginning Teacher Conference - General Evaluation Tally

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1	Item	Count	1	2	3	4	5
2	Pre-Registration Process	86	0	0	3	23	60
3	On-Site Registration	88	0	0	2	18	68
4	Banquet - Keynote Speaker	88	0	0	2	6	80
5	Banquet - Program in General	87	0	0	2	23	62
6	Closing Session - Program in General	78	0	1	3	28	46
7	Overall Conference - Location	90	0	0	1	11	78
8	Overall Conference - Lodging	88	0	1	2	8	77
9	Overall Conference - Meals	87	0	0	6	19	62
10	Overall Conference - Meeting Facilities	87	0	0	1	15	71
11	<b>Totals</b>	<b>779</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>604</b>
12	<b>Average Number of Responses</b>	<b>86.6</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>16.8</b>	<b>67.1</b>

### Conference General Evaluation -- 2010



### General Conference Evaluation Summary - Percent Responses of 4 or 5 (max 5)



# Conference Comments

CG01

Comments

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## Pre-Registration Process

- 1 Very clear.
- 2 Would like a copy of presentations picked next time.
- 3 Easy & quick.
- 4 Very smooth.
- 5 Very speedy and great that we are not confined to certain sessions.
- 6 Problems signing up to come.
- 7 Very user-friendly
- 8 Quick and easy
- 9 Very easy
- 10 Everyone greeted cordially. Instructions were clean.
- 11 Easy and clear
- 12 Very efficient
- 13 Was there one?
- 14 Very easy
- 15 Our rep did it for us! Very convenient :)
- 16 N/A
- 17 Smooth.
- 18 When a guest pays \$135 it needs to be more specific on what it pays for.
- 19 Was easy, but I was rushed b/c of time.
- 20 Got here late
- 21 Easy just to click on the site and complete
- 22 A little challenging to get a feel for what the workshops would be like, but simple enough.
- 23 More information on each session would have been helpful.
- 24 Simple and quick!
- 25 Very quick

- 26 An email confirming my acceptance into the workshop would be helpful to ease my nerves about whether or not I made the number accepted.
- 27 Easy to understand and to follow directions.
- 28 Very easy
- 29 It was relatively painless.
- 30 Easy and problem free
- 31 On-line process simple. School system took care of this registration.

# Conference Comments

CG02

Comments

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## On-Site Registration

- 1 Easy and fast.
- 2 Very easy to check in.
- 3 Fast and easy
- 4 Able to register early - Thank you.
- 5 Very quick
- 6 Very easy.
- 7 BT coordinator-Hotel Staff were all polite and helpful.
- 8 Quick and easy. Should have a sheet reminding us of what session we pre-registered for.
- 9 Very easy
- 10 Quickly registered; friendly folks.
- 11 Very efficient and quick
- 12 Quick and easy
- 13 Check-in and registration was so smooth!
- 14 Easy
- 15 Simple and quick!
- 16 Very quick and organized
- 17 Simple, simple, simple.
- 18 Very easy
- 19 Quick and efficient.
- 20 Thank you, the process was quick and simple.
- 21 Very quick
- 22 Very easy and convenient!
- 23 Simple and organized.
- 24 Quick, no pain process
- 25 Very friendly and simple.



26 Fast!

# Conference Comments

CG03

Comments

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## Banquet -- Keynote Speaker

- 1 Proud to have a great representative for NC teachers.
- 2 Very touching story
- 3 Very refreshing and inspiring.
- 4 Funny, glad it wasn't preachy...
- 5 Amazing and hilarious. It was a great way to open the conference!
- 6 Re-inspired my causes for teaching
- 7 The best speaker I've seen at a conference
- 8 Very Emotional speech! Inspirational!
- 9 Very engaging and touching!
- 10 Simple and quick! Would have been nice to come away w/ more advice. Entertaining, lighthearted, and inspiring.
- 11 Excellent speaker! She made me laugh and motivated me.
- 12 Awesome, touching, and thought provoking.
- 13 Enjoyable and very good presentation.
- 14 Awesome!
- 15 AWESOME!
- 16 Interesting but not greatly motivating.
- 17 Wonderful.
- 18 She was so fun & engaging. She reminded me of one of my favorite teachers.
- 19 Inspiring & entertaining.
- 20 Cindi was a great speaker. She really kicked the weekend off to a good start.
- 21 Her story was touching and really was a great start for the conference.
- 22 Excellent.
- 23 Excellent
- 24 My school had prom on the 23rd so I did not attend this portion.

- 25 Inspirational.
- 26 She was fantastic, anytime you laugh and cry during one speech, you know it was good.
- 27 She was wonderful.
- 28 Loved her spirit and passion.
- 29 Very enthusiastic and inspiring -- not to mention somewhat of a minor celebrity! :)
- 30 Excellent message.
- 31 Very engaging.
- 32 Loved her! Made me feel worthwhile!
- 33 Very inspirational. Great presentation.
- 34 N/A
- 35 Mrs. Rigsbee was an inspirational and engaging speaker. The message delivered was a great way to start the conference and set a good tone.
- 36 Nice
- 37 Cindi was great. She reminded me that I do make a difference in my children's lives. She also reminded me of my 7th grade Math teacher, Mrs. Paccasio.
- 38 Awesome! Very inspiring and brought back many memories of past teachers.
- 39 Hilarious!
- 40 Great motivation to go the extra mile.
- 41 Great. She gave perspective and encouragement. She infused it with humor.
- 42 She had a great message!

# Conference Comments

CG04

Comments

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## Banquet -- Program in General

- 1 This was fine. Certain things must be covered.
- 2 Great food!! Great lessons, helpful activities.
- 3 Inspiring!
- 4 Good line-up and not too long.
- 5 Good food and good presentations. Very organized and well prepared for everything.
- 6 Great start to networking and visiting with colleagues
- 7 Veggie option for dinner?
- 8 Very nice!
- 9 Enjoyed the invocation! Proud to be a part of a group who recognizes our creator!
- 10 Nice, smoothly run
- 11 No one but the guest speaker seemed truly prepared. Please don't include a prayer in a ceremony that should be very inclusive
- 12 Delicious food!
- 13 Great food. Moved quickly and efficiently.
- 14 No wasted time. I loved that.
- 15 Everything ran smoothly.
- 16 Great food.
- 17 Delicious green beans. Program speakers should read the people/classes before reading it out loud.
- 18 Wonderful! Practical and useful teaching tools and strategies that will be easy to use.
- 19 The food was GREAT.
- 20 Food was great. Mrs. Rigsbee was inspirational.
- 21 N/A
- 22 I was tired and so it seemed a little long.
- 23 Food was awesome.
- 24 Everything was wonderful!

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- 25 Wonderful food!
- 26 Got here late, didn't get to see most of it.
- 27 Too long at night
- 28 Efficient, relaxing, and very enjoyable.

# Conference Comments

CG06

Comments

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## Closing Session -- Program in General

- 1 Very funny and entertaining
- 2 It was fun watching the groups.
- 3 Good breakfast, fun closing sessions, early checkout :)
- 4 Fun to see all the groups.
- 5 Very fun and entertaining
- 6 A tad bit redundant.
- 7 Time to see everyone's creativity.
- 8 Great door prizes
- 9 Great
- 10 Group presentations were great this year!
- 11 Cute
- 12 Lot's of talent and creativity displayed as the participants incorporated what they learned into a fun and informative presentation. The closing video was wonderful!  
  
The closing video was wonderful!
- 13 Lots of fun watching other groups! End video was cute.
- 14 A fun and conclusive way to end.
- 15 A little lengthy
- 16 Easy information to use immediately in my classroom.
- 17 Sharing session was interesting but could be done on Saturday instead.
- 18 Loved the presentations by fellow teachers. The closing video was wonderful and a tear-jerker.
- 19 I would rather it be done on Saturday so we could have Sunday free to relax.
- 20 The programs were fantastic! Everyone did a wonderful job.
- 21 Fun to be involved

# Conference Comments

CG07-10

Comments

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## Overall Conference

- 1 Cold and humid!
- 2 Fantastic :)
- 3 Unevenness of the temperature. Organized. Well planned.
- 4 Always inspiring and full of new innovative ideas.
- 5 The conference was very enjoyable - overall.
- 6 Don't like the beach, but very good facility.
- 7 Always enjoy coming to this conference.
- 8 (Live and laugh next to technology) Put louder conferences NOT in the split rooms. Made it hard to hear.
- 9 Hotel and location were great!
- 10 Great
- 11 There were very few vegetarian options.
- 12 Everything was great.
- 13 This was just what should be included in terms of a teacher conference. Thanks for providing it.
- 14 Great location!
- 15 Well thought through and put together! Excellent conference! Appreciated re-energizing that took place.
- 16 This was great.
- 17 It's way too cold in the building; save some \$ - Turn the AC down!
- 18 Definitely worth the trip.
- 19 The room temperatures were great for learning. Not too hot and not too cold.
- 20 Everybody was friendly and helpful.
- 21 Variation for those who do not eat pork and beef to still eat meat.
- 22 Great experience.
- 23 Learned lots to take back and use as well as share.

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- 24 Would have loved Sweet Tea (we are in the South)
- 25 The presenters were great! I love the beach!
- 26 Don't change anything



## *Conference -- Liked Most*

### *What did you liked most about the conference?*

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- 1 Sessions, speakers, handouts, new friends
- 2 Cindi Rigsbee and Lifesaving techniques.
- 3 Being on the beach, great workshops!
- 4 The people/interacting w/ new teachers.
- 5 All of the information I learned
- 6 The keynote, the food, the bed, the networking, the sessions, the presenters, etc.
- 7 Variety of topics from which to choose. Great presenters.
- 8 The workshops captured everything I needed to assist me with raising student achievement.
- 9 I really enjoyed the workshops!
- 10 All
- 11 The keynote speaker Cindi was great!
- 12 Ability to go to sessions we did not sign up for. Meeting people form other counties.
- 13 Cindi Rigsbee and her session!
- 14 The various workshops gave great information to take back as resources.
- 15 I like the workshops the most b/c they give good ideas to a struggling teacher and a difficult student.
- 16 All the presentations were awesome this year!
- 17 The sessions were the best b/c I learned different classroom strategies as well.
- 18 The info given was helpful and the sessions were all upbeat and positive.
- 19 Working w/ co-directors and meeting the new eager-to-please teachers.
- 20 The opportunity to meet other teachers, gaining of resources and motivation to keep teaching.
- 21 I enjoyed the Saturday sessions the most and I learned a lot.
- 22 Variety of session topics and location.
- 23 Keynote speaker
- 24 I liked being with other 1st - 3rd year teachers in the area. It makes you feel like your not alone. Side note: I loved Cindi Rigsbee as the keynote speaker. She was a great speaker.
- 25 My favorite session was the live, laugh, love one. It gave many useful and practical things.

*What did you liked most about the conference?*

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- 26 I meet some other new teachers and enjoyed the sessions.
- 27 The variety of the sessions.
- 28 I loved the fact that the entire conference was packed with information that I can immediately take back to my classroom and apply it to my lesson planning and student interactions.
- 29 In general, the additional input and ideas on ways to include technology. Specifically, I liked the rap instruction. The quote "We are digital immigrants teaching digital natives" is particularly striking.
- 30 The opportunity to relax and network!
- 31 Information was relevant and needed
- 32 "Loving, Living, and Laughing in each lesson" - Fantastic!
- 33 Learning something new that I can take back to the classroom and use right away.
- 34 Keynote speaker was great! Help with struggling students was the most helpful session I attended!
- 35 The networking w/ others.
- 36 The sessions were great and I like the schedule allowing time to network and interact with other teachers.
- 37 The beach! The informative sessions, and being with other new teachers.
- 38 Cindi Rigsbee
- 39 The Keynote speaker.
- 40 I loved the location and the keynote speaker. I feel refreshed and ready to go back to finish out the year!
- 41 The food, housing and lodging were wonderful. Actually being on the beach setting is very relaxing. Opening speaker was wonderful.
- 42 Saturday was nice. 3 very good meetings and then time to relax.
- 43 Meeting new people.
- 44 I thought that this conference was very organized and the events were punctual. The session were very beneficial.
- 45 The sessions were great.
- 46 The keynote speaker was sensational.
- 47 Everything.
- 48 The keynote speaker and the relaxation.

*What did you liked most about the conference?*

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- 49 The presentation!
- 50 Location/ food.
- 51 The useful information that I gained that I plan on implementing into my classroom.
- 52 Location, food, Cindi Rigsbee
- 53 Great experience, networking opportunities and lesson activities. Enjoyed the beach!! Great food, too.
- 54 The location and various types of sessions to pick from
- 55 The speakers had great ideas to share and I'm excited to use them in my classroom.
- 56 I loved the speaker for the opening session. I was really inspired by her story and she set the tone for the whole conference.
- 57 The keynote speaker and the Loving, Living, and Laughing in each Lesson
- 58 Networking
- 59 Meeting many new (mostly young & enthusiastic) teachers
- 60 I liked that I received the chance ...
- 61 The whole process was smooth! Rooms were clearly identified and easy to find - very relaxing.
- 62 The opportunity to choose the sessions I went to.
- 63 Being allowed to pick a session to attend.
- 64 Hearing speakers that are currently teacher, not retirees or psychologists
- 65 The keynote speaker! She was amazing! I also liked her session and learned how I can make a difference with my students.
- 66 Rooms were clean and comfortable. Perfect environment for learning and great association with other teaching professionals.
- 67 Sessions
- 68 The variety of courses offered.
- 69 The sessions: AG in the classroom (elem) Life Saving Technology
- 70 Great selection of presentations.
- 71 Ease of going to sessions.
- 72 The sessions and presentations that came with the sessions. I learned a lot from the presenters in each of the sessions.
- 73 Being able to interact with other teachers.

*What did you liked most about the conference?*

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- 74 All the presenters were great! They all left me wanting more. Cindi Rigsbee was a wonderful keynote speaker.
- 75 To be able to relax with fellow teachers who understand my world :)
- 76 Topics presented were very relevant to new teachers
- 77 Location!
- 78 "Rap" session was probably the most applicable. I like that Paul didn't offer this as something magical but encouraged teachers to bring things they love into the classroom.
- 79 Good combination of relaxing time and learning time.
- 80 The ability to work with staff and faculty from other districts.
- 81 Atmosphere - I feel revitalized
- 82 Food, beach, and camaraderie
- 83 Opening and closing sessions were both really great. Of the sessions, I really enjoyed the Loving, Living, and Laughing session - very energetic and helpful. I also liked having time to relax.
- 84 Conversations with other teacher; there should be more time for one-on-one or small groups where we share with each other in addition to listening to and interacting w/ presenters.
- 85 The actual resources that can be used in my classroom!
- 86 Getting new ideas and resources was my favorite. I didn't network quite as much but I was also thrilled to hear there were other struggling teachers out there.
- 87 I enjoyed the variety and quality of the workshops.
- 88 The networking and exposure to new ideas.

## *Conference -- Liked Least*

### *What did you liked least about the conference?*

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- 1 Ice machine broken on our floor. Having to pay for wireless Internet. Group presentations fun, but stressful.
- 2 No comp. time for Monday. I will be tired!
- 3 The workshops are so long!
- 4 Having to go back to work - tired tomorrow:)
- 5 The sun didn't shine :(
- 6 The weather!! (The only thing you all can't control) ;)
- 7 I would have liked to go to more of the workshops.
- 8 I would love to see more examples/scenarios of how to handle disruptive students.
- 9 Everything was great.
- 10 Would like to have had a packet of information given to us from all session because we couldn't go to all.
- 11 Few session geared towards K-6.
- 12 How early the days began.
- 13 n/a
- 14 The group presentation.
- 15 Nothing. No down time to be bored.
- 16 I enjoyed the whole conference.
- 17 the food was not tailored to all pallets.
- 18 Everything went well.
- 19 No complaints!
- 20 It rained and there was no free Internet in the rooms.
- 21 Wished to have more time.
- 22 Nothing in general
- 23 I loved all of the conference. Keep it the way it is.
- 24 I thought it would have been better to put more time after lunch that was free time and just have sessions go later.

*What did you liked least about the conference?*

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- 25 It rained!
- 26 Arriving on Fri. evening would prefer to arrive earlier Fri. and have more time on Sat. afternoon. Could have one session on Fri. and two on Sat. Just a thought.
- 27 I can honestly say that this conference ran smoothly in every way! The hotel should look into purchasing more insulated room dividers because some sessions were distractions to others.
- 28 Not enough time to attend each session/presentation.
- 29 Wish we had more time. Shorter sessions so we could attend more.
- 30 It was really only 1 day and I wish we had 2 days of sessions so we could do more.
- 31 Group presentation at the conclusion.
- 32 It wasn't the presentation Sunday but how some people were using almost passive defiance and preparing for it by not helping.
- 33 Group presentation at closing.
- 34 No complaints.
- 35 No complaints.
- 36 The lengths of the sessions with no breaks.
- 37 Having to wake up early on Saturday morning.
- 38 How all 3 sessions were back to back w/ 1 hour for lunch. I was pretty exhausted by the 3rd session.
- 39 Maybe we could start a little earlier to even leave from various locations earlier; the drive makes you feel exhausted and very hard to remain focused even if speaker is spectacular.
- 40 I just don't like the beach.
- 41 N/A
- 42 Having to do a skit.
- 43 Not enough beach time.
- 44 Too long of a lunch break. We were all ready for a nap in the middle of the third session!
- 45 Nothing.
- 46 No French Toast. A party/dance should be given for the Educators.
- 47 Nothing was bad!
- 48 Rude hotel workers, only really 1 day, should start Friday.
- 49 The fact that the sessions went all day on Saturday! Think it should be broken up into two morning sessions on Saturday and Sunday!

*What did you liked least about the conference?*

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- 50 Groups, sessions too long for some presentations.
- 51 The group reflections I felt this was not needed. I felt the sessions were also too long, they need to be about 45-1hr. Top.
- 52 N/A
- 53 The schedule. I wish I could have been able to hear more speakers.
- 54 There was one session that I really did not enjoy. It wasn't a personal dislike for the speaker but I felt she could have been more genuine and inviting.
- 55 "Need help with struggling students" session
- 56 Early sessions
- 57 The weather
- 58 Some confusion about our group meeting room - staff were trying to set up for a prom and wanted us out.
- 59 No food for vegetarians (during Saturday dinner session).
- 60 I felt like I was being talked at most of the time. Except for the last seminar. Kind of boring.
- 61 Not enough hands-on activities and movement! We are like our students! We need to be actively engaged in order to learn and pay attention! TOO much lecture!
- 62 Can't think of anything.
- 63 Skits
- 64 It came at the end of the year and not the beginning.
- 65 Group work-members that don't want to participate.
- 66 Lunch was a little too long. Maybe 45 min. lunch?
- 67 Too short.
- 68 Friday night was way too long. Maybe do the groups on Saturday and just do a presenter on Friday night. The presenters would be great.
- 69 Too many events planned that were working events. There wasn't an organized party with a DJ.
- 70 Healthier choices with the meal. I would like to have a handout from all the presentations, like a notebook or a packet.
- 71 Getting up early.
- 72 Too bad there wasn't anything Sat. evening.
- 73 Closing session - redundant.

*What did you liked least about the conference?*

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- 74 The session on Rethinking Classroom sounded like it would be useful and helpful, but the presenter went completely off topic and only gave attention to the material at the very end of the session.
- 75 The skits.
- 76 Not enough break time between sessions.
- 77 Choices scheduling of workshops - the 3 I really wanted were during the 1st section.
- 78 Nothing...concurrent sessions could be a little better.
- 79 The struggling session wasn't as beneficial as I would have liked...it wasn't horrible, just more of a lecture. Didn't expect that!
- 80 presenters who were not fully prepared or who had not thought about how clearly their material was presented.
- 81 Having to make and perform a skit.
- 82 We had a very negative person in our presenting group and I was sad about the way she brought others down.



## *Conference -- Other Topics*

*Are there other topics you think would be beneficial to future conference participants? Specify.*

- 1 More repeats. Maybe some evening sessions.
- 2 Dealing with other staff being the New Kid. Grants and Grant Writing - Free Stuff.
- 3 Diversity/multiculturalism in the classroom.
- 4 Maybe subject specific topics?
- 5 I cannot think of any at this time.
- 6 Mentor partnership.
- 7 There needs to be more sessions for elementary teachers.
- 8 More sessions geared towards elementary teachers assisting struggling students with actual ideas and tasks to improve achievement.
- 9 Classroom management strategies.
- 10 n/a
- 11 Strategies for effective tutoring.
- 12 Creative ways to prep kids for EOG or EOC tests.
- 13 Remediation strategies, EOG Practice tips, study tips for students.
- 14 More classroom management strategies and tips would be a good addition.
- 15 Help w/ IEP's, PEP, 504's as a general educator.
- 16 Potentially specials/ elective resources
- 17 Other topics that I would like to see is workshop that encompasses cohorts on subject matter.
- 18 1. Interventions (behavior and academic) 2. Using effective demonstrations 3. Reading-Vocabulary heavy content.
- 19 I would rather the sessions be a little shorter - I would liked to have seen more sessions in less time.
- 20 Cheap and trendy organization methods that you would have never thought of for the classroom.
- 21 Nothing comes to me. More time to attend all of the things offered would be more beneficial than offering anything new.
- 22 Specific techniques for targeting students who need extra help.
- 23 ESL would be a hot topic!
- 24 English as A Second Language information for the classroom teacher.

**Are there other topics you think would be beneficial to future conference participants? Specify.**

- 25 ESL information, classroom management.
- 26 More opportunities to assist struggling students. Students with special needs/disabilities could be beneficial. Anything concerning ESL students.
- 27 Maybe subject specific workshops.
- 28 The ones here were great!
- 29 How to motivate students who seem to express that they have no interest in content, learning or becoming motivated.
- 30 More High school student information.
- 31 A classroom management session.
- 32 Specific methods for dealing with the cell phone/ MP3 generation.
- 33 Very good presentations.
- 34 Eat, think, and slave w/ your groups @ breakfast on Saturday! Sit together.
- 35 N/A.
- 36 Van Lassiter's presentation was excellent. I also really enjoyed bridging the gap w/ the power of rap.
- 37 Not sure, there was a good variety already.
- 38 Classroom Management strategies & violence in school.
- 39 N/A
- 40 Organizational tips. How to limit teacher's stress.
- 41 How to help students who are struggling? Would be a good session to have but improve because I didn't take anything away from it. A differentiated instruction would be another topic to cover.
- 42 N/A
- 43 N/A
- 44 Classroom management geared towards elementary age.
- 45 Better behavior/ classroom management for elementary.
- 46 Interventions (and lots of examples) to use with struggling students!
- 47 Using more case studies to practice using each strategy introduced. More hands-on.
- 48 All of the sessions were wonderful.
- 49 Special education topics.

*Are there other topics you think would be beneficial to future conference participants? Specify.*

- 50 Classroom management suggestions.
- 51 No.
- 52 Differentiation and more help with struggling students.
- 53 Reading center and Math center ideas.
- 54 A resource fair where teachers bring exemplary resources for all aspects of teaching.
- 55 Middle school age development.
- 56 Content specific concurrent sessions.
- 57 As far as I can think, everything was covered. It was a fantastic conference!
- 58 Should have sessions on inclusiveness. Sensitivity to students of all backgrounds - building a classroom environment where students (and teachers) don't use the words "gay, retarded," etc. & don't feel that there is only one way to look at the world (both socially and academically).
- 59 It might be helpful to do a workshop for low-income area schools where parents aren't terribly involved and the kids have more issues - teachers can't do it alone, so how do they cope w/ a lack of community support w/o killing themselves?

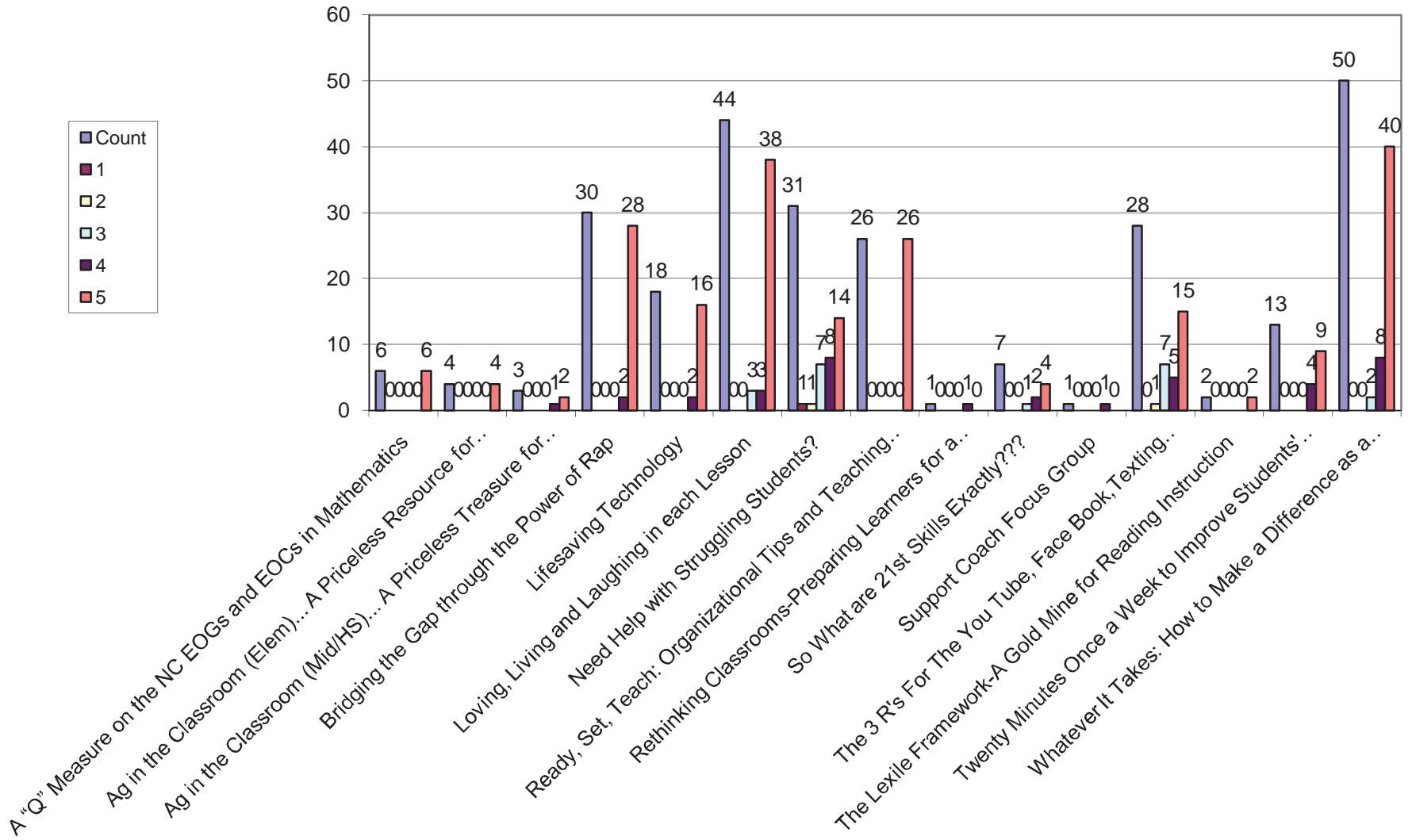
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## Concurrent Sessions Evaluation Tally

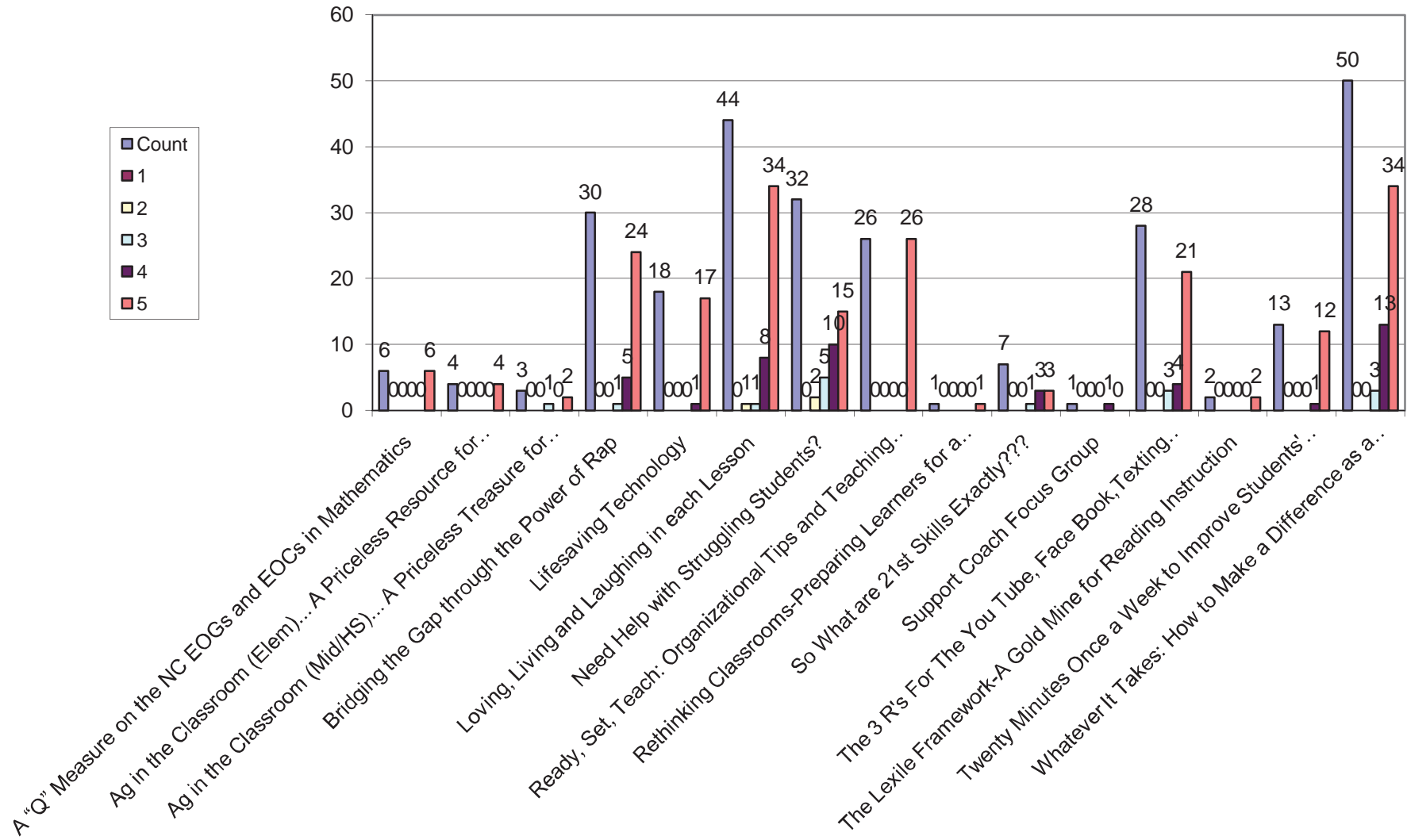
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	Comments: Topic	6					6	
	Handouts	6					6	
<b>Ag in the Classroom (Elem)... A P</b>	Presenter	4					4	3
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	Handouts	4					4	
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	Handouts	3				1	2	
<b>Bridging the Gap through the Pov</b>	Presenter	30				2	28	13
	Comments: Topic	30			1	5	24	
	Handouts	18	1			1	16	
<b>Lifesaving Technology</b>	Presenter	18				2	16	15
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<b>Need Help with Struggling Studen</b>	Presenter	31	1	1	7	8	14	11
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	Handouts	32		2	7	7	16	
<b>Ready, Set, Teach: Organizationa</b>	Presenter	26					26	21
	Comments: Topic	26					26	
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	Handouts	7			1	2	4	
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	Handouts	28			3	5	20	
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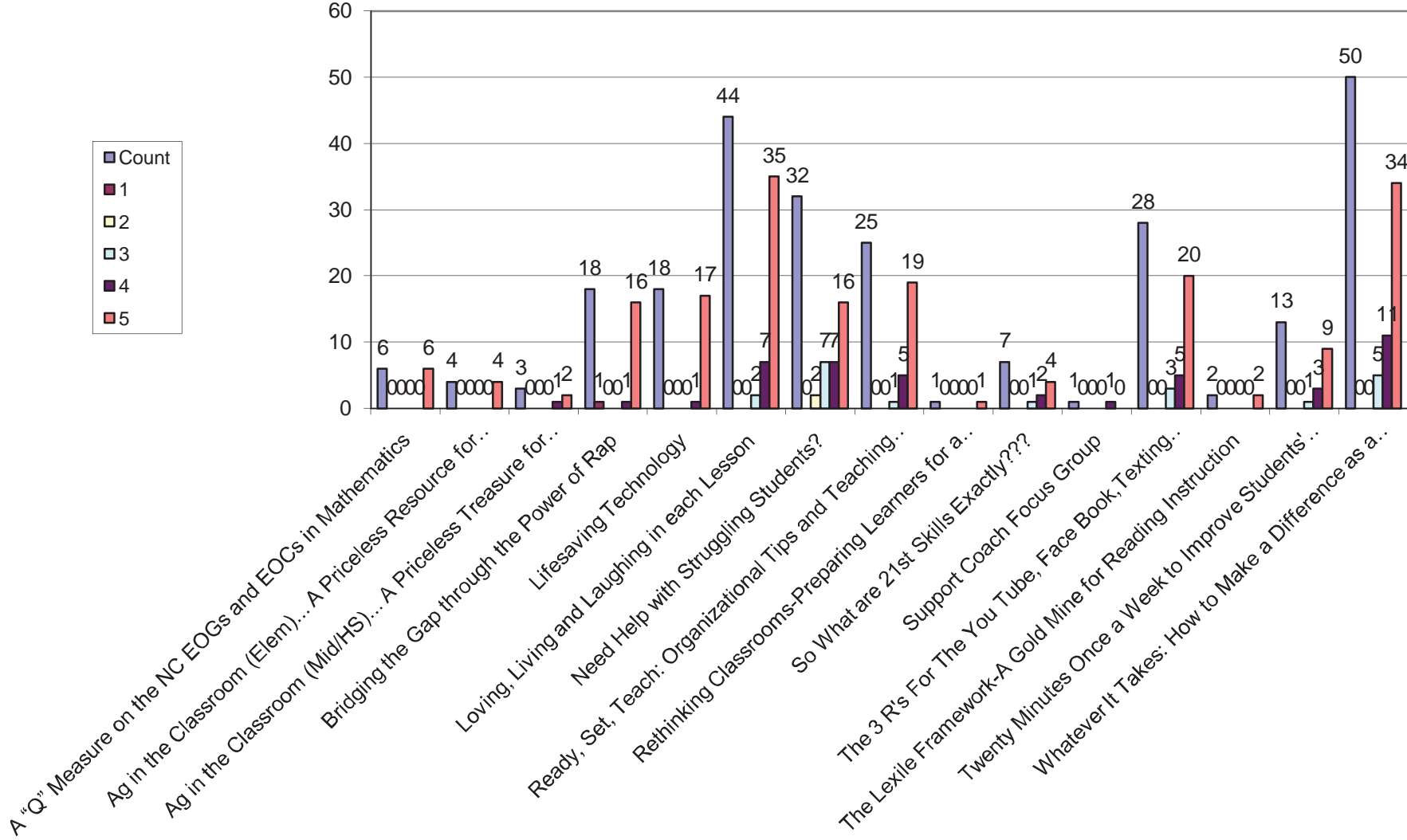
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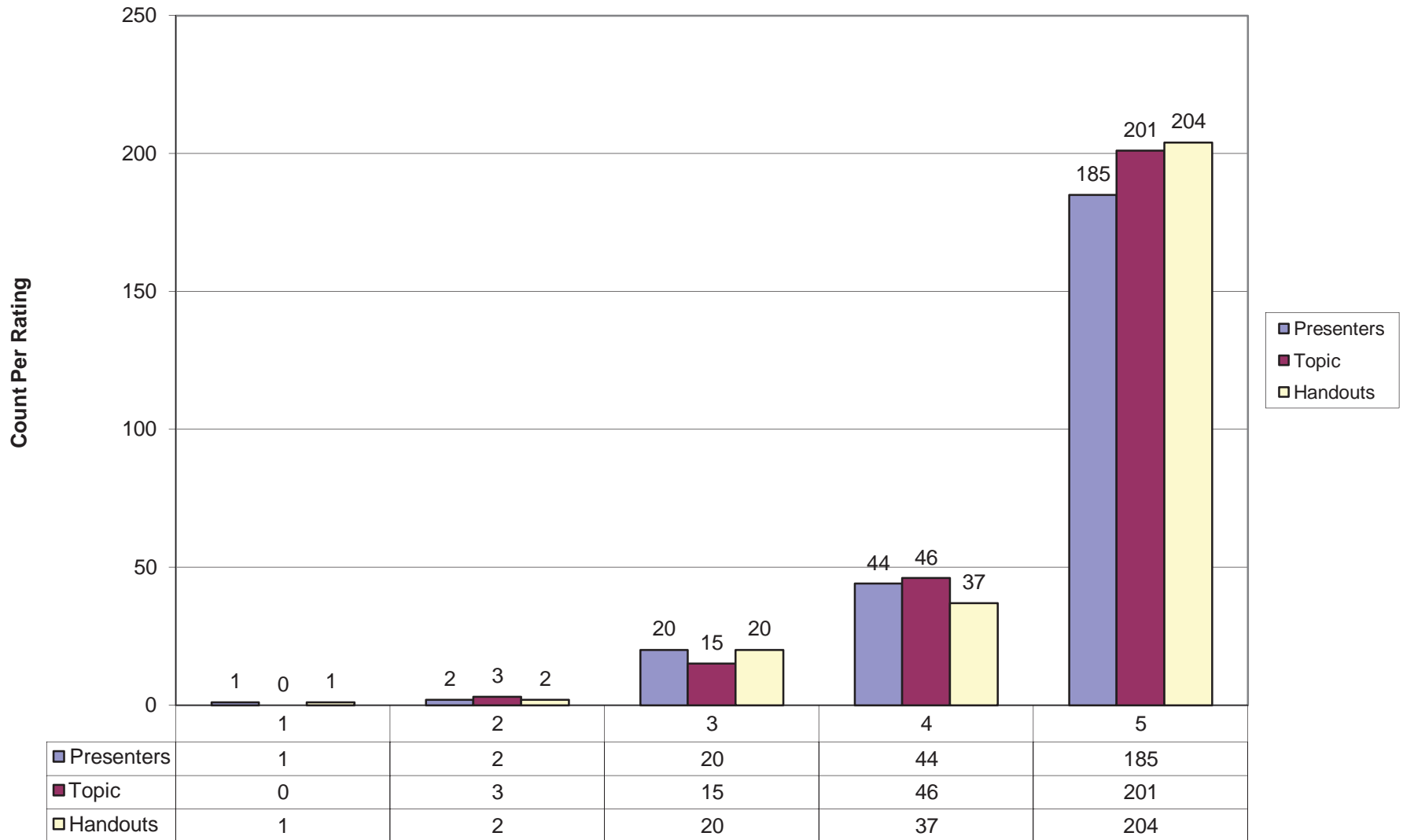


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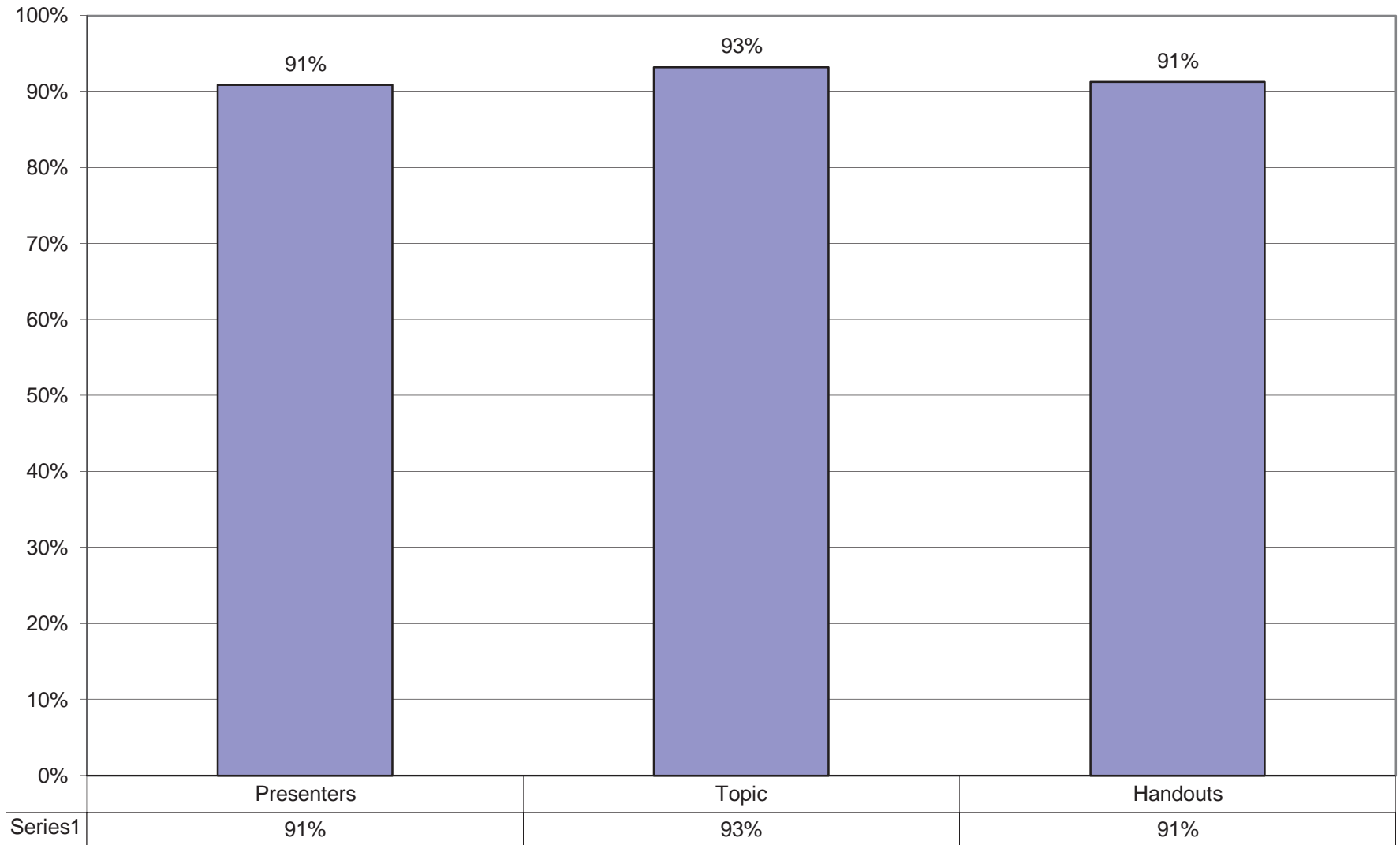




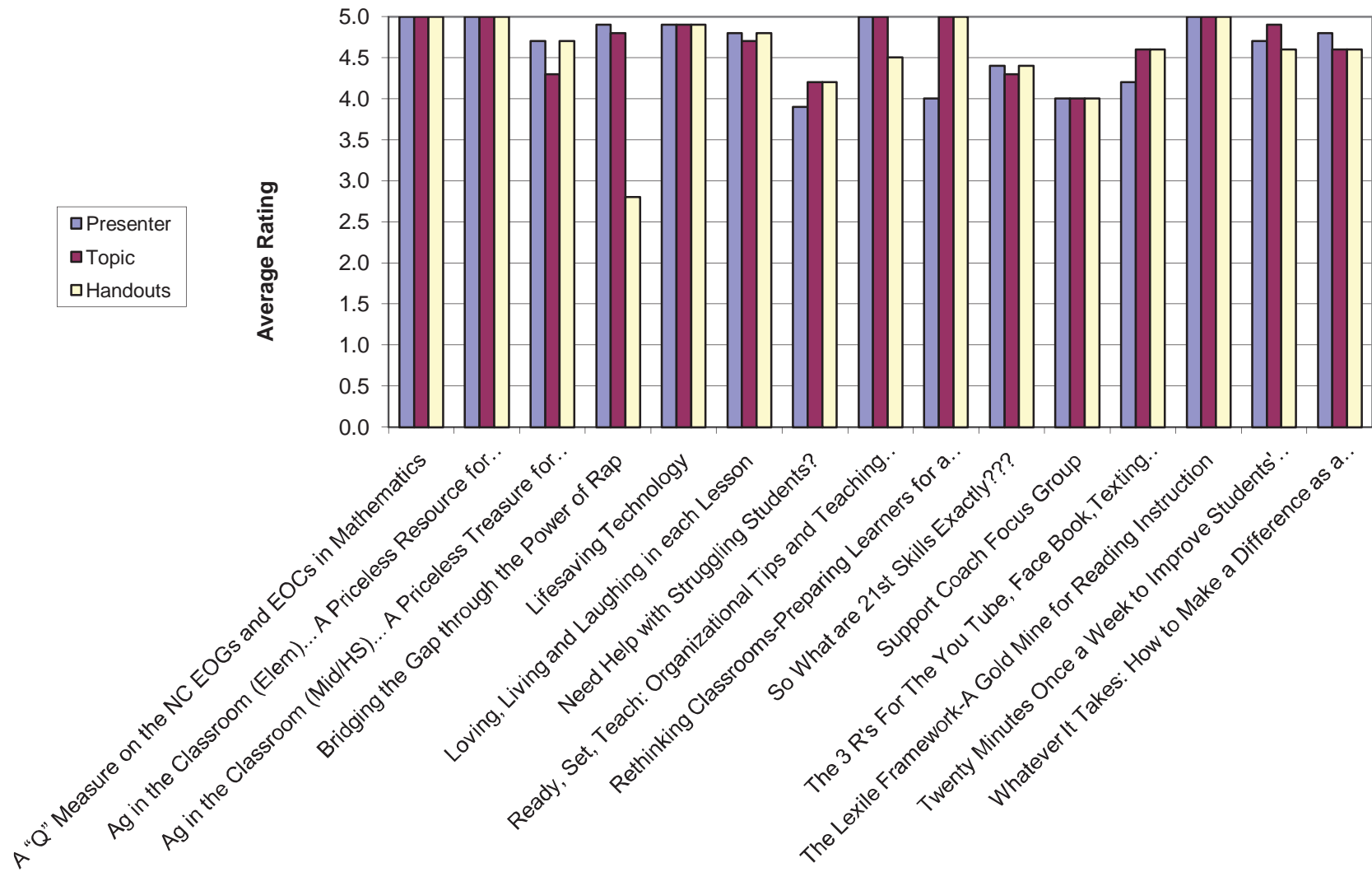
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### Concurrent Session Evaluation Summary - Average Rating (5 Max)



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## *Session Comments 01*

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### *A “Q” Measure on the NC EOGs and EOCs in Mathematics*

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- 1 Excellent resource for effectively planning instructional delivery in math classes. Multitude of resources and connected to the NC SCOS.
- 2 Absolutely wonderful! Very informative and helpful. I want to take this to my school and cohort. This should be required for all math teachers.
- 3 Incredibly useful resource for planning and understanding.
- 4 Loved this! Learned so much!
- 5 Excellent knowledge to use data to differentiate instruction.

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## *Session Comments 02*

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### *Ag in the Classroom... A Priceless Resource for Elementary Instruction*

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- 1 At first glance, most people don't see the connection; however, there are so many practical applications available through this resource.
- 2 Great FREE Resources.

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## *Session Comments 03*

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### *Ag in the Classroom... A Priceless Treasure for Middle and High School Instruction*

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- 1 At first glance, most people don't see the connection; however, there are so many practical applications available through this resource.
- 2 Presenter provided useful practical strategies that I can easily put to use.
- 3 Learned a lot of interesting facts about N.C. Agriculture.

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## *Session Comments 04*

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### *Bridging the Gap through the Power of Rap*

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- 1 Great
- 2 Great!
- 3 Awesome way to introduce different subjects and help students understand different ideas.
- 4 Very collaborative activity. Can easily use this in my classroom.
- 5 This was great. We are teaching the hip-hop generation and rap is the cornerstone of hip-hop.
- 6 I will definitely use what I learned in the classroom at least weekly. Loved it!
- 7 Loved all the ideas! Great for all ages. Would have liked copies of the raps.
- 8 Awesome advice! Thanks for showing me how to increase the rigor!
- 9 Motivational!
- 10 Excellent way to connect with students while maintaining a focus on the curriculum.
- 11 Great way to teach! It will be a very successful tool I will implement w/ my students.
- 12 Loved it! Lots of great ideas.
- 13 Interesting + definitely engaging, but depends on the teacher and their classroom.
- 14 Bring him back more. Teachers need to see this session.
- 15 I loved the presentation, but I would have liked a copy or handout of what was done.
- 16 This was more geared towards language arts.
- 17 Great performance shows teachers how to find music to make/ use rhymes.

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## *Session Comments 05*

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### *Lifesaving Technology*

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- 1 Great resources! Very dynamic presenter!
- 2 Everyone needs this presentation
- 3 Great resources that are useful to engage my students today!
- 4 Awesome ideas from the presenter and participants.
- 5 Very interactive and good order and structure.
- 6 Very exciting. Great free resources. ALL were new to me!
- 7 This was a great session. Abbey Askew is always a must-see presenter.
- 8 Wealth of information I plan to share w/ colleagues.
- 9 Very good and full of resources.
- 10 Learned some great websites to use.



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## *Session Comments 06*

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### *Loving, Living and Laughing in each Lesson*

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- 1 Too much modeling, not enough explanation.
- 2 Thank you for all the graphic organizers.
- 3 Great energy!
- 4 Fun and practical.
- 5 Presenters were engaging and/used multiple strategies.
- 6 Human Knot is a great ice breaker.
- 7 I really liked this because it gave all practical examples. I would have liked to see the SCOS objective that went with each coach lesson.
- 8 Great presentations! Good modeling.
- 9 High energy and solid techniques.
- 10 Lots of energy & lots of helpful tips for the classroom. I also got good handouts and had fun!
- 11 Awesome presentation, active & engaging, please have them come back, information was great and presentation was interactive.
- 12 Very enthusiastic and beneficial!
- 13 Great handouts
- 14 Great! Interactive!
- 15 Was a little bit unstructured.
- 16 Introduced tools and resources for the classroom.
- 17 I've learned a lot!
- 18 Okay. Boring.
- 19 Very informative. Great strategies. I was fully engaged.
- 20 Awesome.

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- 21 Loved the Keirsej temperament sorter. It was very informative.
  - 22 Loved it! Learned so much!!!
  - 23 I liked the energy. Biology and economics are good links, but there are better concepts within each subject, plus topics within biology were wrong like gen. modified foods.
  - 24 Very lively and really great tips.
  - 25 Didn't show a truly rigorous lesson, but it was fairly well planned.
  - 26 The handouts would be helpful for new teachers, but not watching the lesson.
  - 27 Excellent websites! Page of cards rocks!
  - 28 Great but was a repeat from previous years w/ same exact presentation.

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## *Session Comments 07*

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### *Need Help with Struggling Students?*

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- 1 Very energetic! Resources made w/ easy access and reading to implement for next week. Perfect for next school year.
- 2 Needs to talk more on how to help, it didn't talk much on how to help the students to me.
- 3 The topic was important, but the presentation was too long to ask questions for our classroom. The PowerPoint needs to be 30mins. Shorter to be able to discuss and digest and question the behaviors and needs in our classroom.
- 4 I would have liked to have been given research based interventions based on different needs (vocab development, fluency, decoding, etc.)
- 5 The topic was great I thought it would have been better to look more at the causes of academic strugglers and more practical strategies and less information.
- 6 Great info about interventions; assess, implement, evaluate, review.
- 7 Fantastic information; real world apps.
- 8 Engaging and informative - I can really use what I learned.
- 9 I liked the speaker's energy.
- 10 Excellent presentation, but a lot of Information was covered. The handouts and take home info was great :) Perhaps a more interactive lesson would have been easier to digest for the first a.m. session.
- 11 Well presented topic. Definitely builds/supports the 3 R's of Excellence!
- 12 Wonderful!
- 13 Energetic, but didn't address/model strategies, just named them and expected that our districts had the tools to implement them. I'd rather have more academic and behavioral ideas for my room, rather than the assistance that can be provided by professionals who don't exist in our school (psychologist, intervention specialists, etc.) PowerPoint had more sound effects than useful materials. Presented several good things to think about.
- 14 Good order just short of time.

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- 15 Presenter gave great advice, but should provide more examples for her suggestions.
  - 16 Presenter was Knowledgeable, however did not engage the audience. She became defensive somewhat if we asked questions. Questions were not completely answered, and she presented w/ a "hint" of sarcasm. The presenter was the only one speaking, no one else was engaged.
  - 17 This was a waste of my time. I didn't learn anything. She wasn't confident w/ the material.
  - 18 Need a longer session time to ask questions.
  - 19 The presenter wasn't a teacher so she really doesn't know if her strategies work. She has no idea what happens in a classroom. No examples of struggling students interventions. Lectured the entire time. I fought sleep the entire time, focused more on behavior, not academic.
  - 20 We need examples, role playing, etc. Too much lecture, read from the slideshow, movement...! Came off that she knows what she was talking about but had no real experiences to really relate to the topic.
  - 21 Longer session more practice with case studies.
  - 22 I liked the presentation, but I wished I could have learned even more strategies!
  - 23 It would have been a little better if we had more input -- it was too much of a lecture -- we could have read all the info presented.
  - 24 Great info! Well presented. Interesting topic. Really enjoyed it.

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## *Session Comments 08*

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### *Ready, Set, Teach: Organizational Tips and Teaching Tricks for Beginning*

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- 1 Great tips to implement in my classroom to engage students.
- 2 Wonderful presenter, helpful ideas.
- 3 REAL, practical ideas for use in the classroom! Every teacher needs this!
- 4 I loved the energy of this presenter. Very engaging.
- 5 Very exciting and engaging! Useful info.
- 6 Presenter full of energy.
- 7 Great resources!
- 8 This was wonderful. The information itself was good. The implicit in the presentation was that he cares and the students get that. They understand.
- 9 Fantastic! Great information! Very creative! A great role model!
- 10 Great speaker
- 11 Great presentation. The energy of the presenter raises my level of energy. Many useful resources and ideas.
- 12 Loved it :) Vann is a great presenter.
- 13 Energetic, helpful, and engaging.
- 14 Excellent!!!
- 15 Very good energy and loads of examples for making my room exciting and grabbing
- 16 Wonderful presentation; presentation should have been in afternoon.
- 17 Very energetic; gained a lot of ideas.
- 18 Maybe handouts about each protocol because the PowerPoint font was small on the printout.
- 19 Very helpful ideas were well-presented.
- 20 Excellent presenter, tons of great materials.

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## *Session Comments 09*

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### *Rethinking Classrooms-Preparing Learners for a Changing World*

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- 1 Didn't really address topic of session at all. It was partly helpful, but not what I expected.

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## *Session Comments 10*

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### *So What are 21st Skills Exactly???*

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- 1 Need more examples (possibly a sample lesson or unit to look over!)
- 2 Would have been nice to have during New Teacher Training.

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## *Session Comments 11*

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### *Support Coach Focus Group*

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- 1 Good opportunity to informally discuss the current status of the support coach program and generate some ideas for continuously improving the services.



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## *Session Comments 12*

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### *The 3 R's For The You Tube, Face Book, Texting Generation*

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- 1 Many technical difficulties. Handouts didn't cover all that they addressed. Good info and useful tools. Need more on application to classroom use.
- 2 Was helpful, but not taught too interestingly.
- 3 Not very engaging. Good info, but a little boring.
- 4 The Online Resources were great, but the presentation wasn't very engaging.
- 5 Brought/ introduced technologies that could be used in the room!
- 6 Very informative!
- 7 Good info.
- 8 This is a great concept. It possibly is a little too fast paced, given the content. Hands-on experience would help.
- 9 Great online resources, slightly unorganized.
- 10 This session was great and contained many useful ideas for technology in the class.
- 11 Very good tools to get students involvement.
- 12 Great way to reach our 21st Century students.
- 13 Good information but need to see more across the board applications.
- 14 Didn't find out what the 3 R's were!
- 15 Somewhat unorganized and they didn't even talk about 3 R's or texting.

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## *Session Comments 13*

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### *The Lexile Framework-A Gold Mine for Reading Instruction*

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- 1 Will be very useful to use in the classroom!

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## *Session Comments 14*

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### *Twenty Minutes Once a Week to Improve Students' Learning of the State Standards*

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- 1 Great presentation! This is a wonderful way for teachers to stay focused on student learning and monitoring progress as well as monitoring instructional practices. Highly recommended.
- 2 Useful information, links to websites would be great.
- 3 Sally! :-)
- 4 The practical use of other states' released EOG's and info to import those into my assessments will be a great asset to my class. Thank you. The limited time to apply the short assessment will allow application.
- 5 How to use data and to make students a part of their learning was great. It helps students + teachers know what it remembered and what needs of students are.
- 6 Great ideas on organizing formative assessments + how to get them in a format that's feasible.
- 7 Sometimes she jumped around and it was hard to follow.

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## *Session Comments 15*

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### *Whatever It Takes: How to Make a Difference as a Teacher*

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- 1 Great variety of information. Great presentation that wasn't repetitive in content as speaker was key note presenter during the banquet.
- 2 Great motivation.
- 3 Inspired me to do more activities outside my classroom.
- 4 Loved the stories! These expressions for Excellence in Education are exactly what I need! Thanks.
- 5 Great speaker!
- 6 Very informative and interesting. Thank you.
- 7 Got a lot of it! Amazing!
- 8 Very energetic presenter. Learned a lot.
- 9 Great stories from the presenter.
- 10 I liked the personable feel of the presenter and found the presentation extremely practical which was nice.
- 11 Great words of wisdom to use!
- 12 Awesome, she is uplifting, positive, and encouraging. A great support for new teachers. Also very funny and well spoken.
- 13 Very inspiring!
- 14 Very easy to listen to!
- 15 Enjoyed listening to her, but 90 minutes got a little long for her anecdotes.
- 16 Very good speaker, she gives several world examples. I really liked the five steps.
- 17 Re-engineered me for the end of the year + gave me things to think about in preparing for next year.
- 18 Wonderful, motivating.

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- 19 Really enjoyed the speaker, I love that she was a teacher and shared her experiences w/ us. It made me feel like I am on the right track.
  - 20 AWESOME! Great speaker! I learned how to inspire and make a difference with my students! I am very motivated to go back to inspire and work with my students!
  - 21 More informative, but not as good as I expected.
  - 22 The stories are wonderful. She inspires me to be a better teacher, and work harder to make a difference in my students' lives.
  - 23 This was a good recharging session. I felt more focused on my profession afterwards. A definite pick me up.
  - 24 Pretty generic.
  - 25 Great advice -- she's an amazing presenter! I could listen to her all day!
  - 26 Good advice for 1st year teachers in the article.
  - 27 Encouraging, article appears concise; anecdotes were funny.
  - 28 Loved it! Great experiences to hear about.