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If you have questions or need additional information, you can reach us at 877.485.1973 or info@nifdi.org.



McGraw-Hill Education Releases Corrective Reading © 2027

The new Corrective Reading © 2027 edition builds on 50 years of proven Direct Instruction success while introducing meaningful enhancements to support today's learners and teachers. These updates apply specifically to the Corrective Reading Decoding program. Updates include:

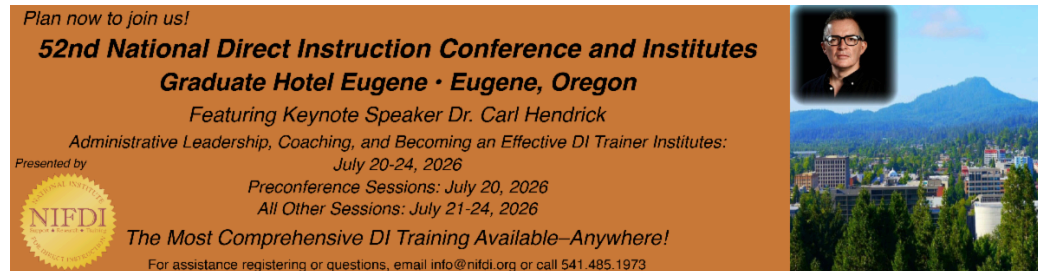
- visual displays of information and vocabulary meaning
- information passages starting at B2
- teaching vocabulary starting in B1 in group work and in the student books
- extra emphasis on learning short vs. long vowels in B1 & B2 to enable students to read and write words with and without specific endings
- board presentation displays, which will cut out time and effort by teachers

What isn't changing? The research-based Direct Instruction pedagogy that has helped struggling readers accelerate their achievement for decades.

As the leader in Direct Instruction training and implementation, *NIFDI is prepared to work with educators to successfully implement the newest version of Corrective Reading* while maintaining the instructional integrity that drives student outcomes.

Join us this summer at the National Direct Instruction Conference, where educators, coaches, and leaders can deepen their expertise in Direct Instruction and learn from the nation's leading DI trainers and practitioners. Or partner with us to provide customized implementation support. NIFDI provides the gold-standard in training, coaching, and capacity-building to maximize student success with Direct Instruction.

To find out more about the Corrective Reading © 2027 updates, check out this [Sneak Peek webinar](#) hosted by McGraw-Hill.



Plan now to join us!
52nd National Direct Instruction Conference and Institutes
Graduate Hotel Eugene • Eugene, Oregon
Featuring Keynote Speaker **Dr. Carl Hendrick**
Administrative Leadership, Coaching, and Becoming an Effective DI Trainer Institutes:
Presented by July 20-24, 2026
Preconference Sessions: July 20, 2026
All Other Sessions: July 21-24, 2026
The Most Comprehensive DI Training Available—Anywhere!
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Discounted Room Rates for National Direct Instruction Conference and Institutes Close Soon

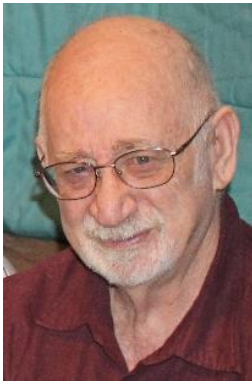
June 26 is the cutoff for discounted room rates at the Graduate Hotel. If you plan on coming to Eugene for the premier DI training event, make your reservation now! Plan to join educators from around the world July 20-24, 2026! The annual National Direct Instruction Conference offers training in a wide range of Direct Instruction programs, as well as comprehensive institutes for instructional leaders, coaches, and professional development specialists.

This year, we are excited to host Dr. Carl Hendrick, an educational consultant, author, and researcher, as our featured keynote speaker. His presentation, *10 Rules for Designing Effective Learning that Works for Every Student*, will examine how Direct Instruction programs model all features that have come to be accepted as the science of learning and teaching. We are also happy to welcome speaker Ernesto Rodriguez. His keynote, *Direct Instruction: Not Only for Reading, But Also for Building a Better Life*, will highlight his compelling story and give insights into how we can break the school-to-prison pipeline that poor instruction creates.

No matter what your job title is—principal, supervisor, literacy coach, teacher, paraprofessional, professor, or something else—the National DI Conference has something for you. Plan on coming to Eugene this summer, take advantage of the beautiful location, and take part in the most comprehensive offering of Direct Instruction training and information available—anywhere!

To download a brochure and register, [click here.](#)

Geoff Colvin to Receive Direct Instruction Hall of Fame Recognition



The NIFDI Board of Directors selected Geoff Colvin to be inducted into the Direct Instruction Hall of Fame. Geoff has dedicated his career to applying the principles of Direct Instruction to teaching behavior skills to a wide range of students and establishing school-wide behavior programs.

Coming to the US from Australia, Geoff earned his Master's Degree in 1978 and his Doctorate of Philosophy in 1981, both at the University of Oregon. He founded Behavior Associates in 1985 and continues to consult in schools around the world.

He served as President of the Association for Direct Instruction from 1989 to 2005. From 1991-1999, Geoff was a Research Associate at the Division of Learning and Instructional Leadership at the University of Oregon. While there, he was Project Manager for Project PREPARE, a five-year project to conduct research into effective means for staff development in the area of assisting schools to provide services for problem behavior students. This work, with a team of other notable developers, led to the creation of Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS).

Geoff will be celebrated and presented with his recognition on Thursday, July 23rd, at 4:30 in conjunction with the National Direct Instruction Conference. Please join us in extending our congratulations and thanks to Geoff for a lifetime of contributions to education!

Plan now to attend...

Direct Instruction Coaching
An Intensive Summer Academy

Presented by NIFDI for instructional coaches, peer coaches and others responsible for observing instruction and improving student performance

July 6-9, 2026
Leland, North Carolina

For assistance registering or for questions, email bwickman@nifdi.org call 541.485.1973

NIFDI Summer Coaching Academy Coming July 6-9

Join experienced NIFDI trainer and Implementation Manager Tara Davis at the Roger Bacon Academy in Leland, North Carolina, for this intensive professional learning experience. In this 4-day event, July 6–9, participants will cover the content of two of NIFDI's most popular coaching academies.

The first two days will feature Coaching Academy I: [**Analyzing Data, Classroom Observations, and Providing Feedback**](#). Days three and four will cover the content of Coaching Academy II: [**Enhanced Coaching and Facilitating Professional Development**](#).

One of the most critical roles in a successful Direct Instruction implementation is the Peer Coach. With good, careful peer coaching, teachers will become more skilled and proficient in teaching the program, and students will excel with improved instruction. In an implementation that does not incorporate high-quality peer coaching, some teachers may become stars, while others may demonstrate little to no improvement, ultimately hindering the implementation as a whole from achieving a high level of success. This training is not only designed for

Peer Coaches. Any individual who is responsible for observing instruction and improving student performance will benefit!

Registration is limited! Act now!

[Click here](#) for more information and to register!

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