

# Ici on parle français – PD grants for FSL teachers

## Huntley's 7 Mighty Moves

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### What We Did

Together, we studied the book: 7 Mighty Moves by Lindsay Kemeny and used our learning to align our early French Immersion programs to align better with the science of reading. We purchased resources that supported our learning (literacy games, vocabulary reader, read-alouds, decodable readers)



#### What We Learned

- teaching phonemic awareness and phonics explicitly
- teaching decoding strategies (using Elkonin boxes)
- advantages of using decodable text instead of predictable texts
- moving away from teaching sight words and focus on fluency
- building vocabulary and background knowledge



### How We Shared Our Learning With Others

We met with each other to discuss what strategies and tools we had tried in our classrooms. We also spoke with our colleagues about our findings and ensured that the primary resource room was organized and accessible with tools to support structured literacy.



#### Links to Our Work

Slideshow presentation



## Any Next Steps We Have To Continue Our Learning

We plan on creating our long range plans for next year together with our learning and resources materials in mind. We hope that by starting right away, we will be able to better support students with literacy in French.