

# Step Up to Writing

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| <b>Focus</b>                | Writing, Reading Comprehension, and Vocabulary   |   |   |
| <b>Goal</b>                 | Direct instruction for teaching students specific strategies for writing, K-12.  |   |   |
| <b>Target Population</b>    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tier 1   | <input type="checkbox"/> Tier 2                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Tier 3                 |
| <b>Instruction Grouping</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> Individual  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small Group | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Whole Group |
| <b>Delivery Approach</b>    | Whole class or small group direct instructional strategies that are embedded across all content areas. The manual is not used sequentially, from beginning to end, rather teachers choose strategies based on student needs.   |   |   |
| <b>Duration</b>             | 5-60 minutes, depending on the lesson  |   |   |
| <b>Delivery Provided by</b> | Classroom teacher or interventionist   |   |   |
|                             | <p><i>Advantages</i> Can be used across all curriculum areas. Does not require an additional block of time. Direct instruction is effective in teaching a variety of writing types and skills.</p> <p><i>Disadvantages</i> Teachers who simply assign writing do not see nearly the impact of teachers who use the manual and teach the strategies. Some users mistakenly believe the tools are the program and do not use the actual lessons in the manual.</p> |   |   |
| <b>Training</b>             | Training is available through the HISD, 6 mini training or 24 hour full training   |   |   |
| <b>Contact or Publisher</b> | SoprisWest   |   |   |
| <b>Materials Cost</b>       | \$430 per classroom set  |   |   |
| <b>Training Cost</b>        | Free or Low Cost through HISD  |   |   |
| <b>Implementation Cost</b>  | Cost of paper, pencils, and highlighters   |   |   |