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#### Abstract

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- new strategies and suggestions that incorporate technology in meaningful ways and speak to today's tech natives in terms they understand
- guidance for working with English language learners and their writing
- inventive, reality-based approaches to research
- options for using nonfiction and nontraditional texts in your teaching
- a fresh take on the importance of authentic literacy education, especially in the age of the high-stakes testing and the Common Core
- real-world wisdom and strategies for teaching writing from a team of middle and high school teachers.

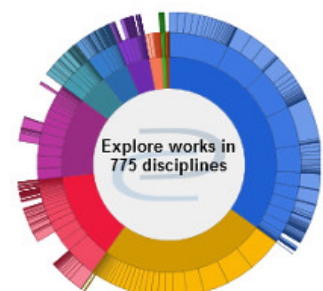
From theory to practice, this comprehensive text has everything you'll need to engage your students and get them writing from the *inside out*.

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