



## Inference: Teaching Students to Develop Hypotheses, Evaluate Evidence, and Draw Logical Conclusions (a Strategic Teacher Plc Guide)

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