

Benefits for Teachers

Make the standards useful in everyday practice

The California Standards for the Teaching Profession can help you grow, but it is not always easy to connect broad standards to what happens with your students each day. CSTP in Action helps you make that connection.

See your strengths and choose a next step

Explore descriptions of practice across the CSTP continuum. Identify what is working, where you want to grow, and what a realistic next step could look like in your classroom.

Turn a goal into action

Move from a broad professional goal to a specific change you can try, such as adjusting checks for understanding, inviting student voice, or responding differently when a student struggles.

Collect evidence that matters

Use student work, classroom observations, feedback, lesson adjustments, and your reflections to consider what has changed for your students.

Have more productive coaching conversations

Bring student work and specific examples to conversations with a mentor, coach, or school leader. Discuss what you tried, what you noticed, and what you might do next.

Recognize growth over time

Return to your reflections and evidence throughout the year to see what has changed, what still needs attention, and what you have learned from your students.

Three questions to get started

What do my students need?

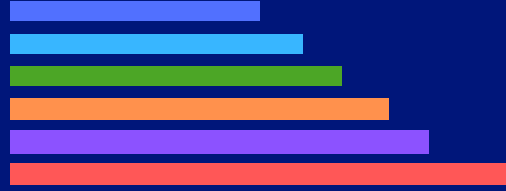
Choose a current learning or engagement need.

What will I try?

Select one practice you can adjust this week.

How will I know?

Decide what student evidence you will examine.



CSTP IN ACTION

FROM STANDARDS TO STUDENT IMPACT

Put the handbook to work

Start with one student need and one purposeful change in practice.



An example from everyday teaching

1. Standards

Choose a CSTP element connected to student engagement or understanding.

2. Practice

Try a brief check for understanding before independent work, then adjust support based on responses.

3. Evidence

Save a few student responses and note how many students were ready to proceed.

4. Reflection

Consider what the responses revealed, whose needs you may have missed, and what you will change next.

5. Student Impact

Compare later responses or work samples to see whether more students can explain the concept.

A tool for growth

CSTP in Action is designed for reflection and professional learning. It is not a checklist or a score. Start with a standard connected to your students' needs, try one change, and use the results to guide your next step.

Ready to explore the handbook?

Learn more about CSTP in Action and how to use it in your teaching practice.

[Explore the handbook at **cstpinaction.com**](https://cstpinaction.com)