Three “A”s Text Protocol

The group reads the text silently, highlighting it and writing notes in the margin on post-it notes (think close reading) in answer to the following three questions .*Be prepared to cite the specific text including pg #.* (5-10 min)

• What do you **Agree** with in the text?

• What do you want to **Argue** with in the text?

• What parts of the text do you want to **Aspire** to as a leader?

**Round 1**

Have each person identify one thing they agree with, in the text, citing the text (with page numbers, if appropriate) as evidence. Go around the group with each person sharing their item, without comment. The group then chooses one person’s to discuss. If time permits choose another item. *(5-7 min)*

**Round 2**

Have each person identify one thing they want to argue with, in the text, citing the text (with page numbers, if appropriate) as evidence. Go around the group with each person sharing their item, without comment. The group then chooses one person’s to discuss. If time permits choose another item. *(5-7 min)*

**Round 3**

Have each person identify one thing they aspire to as a leader with, in the text, citing the text (with page numbers, if appropriate) as evidence. Go around the group with each person sharing their item, without comment. The group then chooses one person’s to discuss. If time permits choose another item. *(5-7 min)*

**Conclusion:**

At End the session with an open discussion framed around a question such as: What does this mean for our work with students? *(10 min)*

Debrief the text experience.

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