M-DCPS Classroom Practice Reflection Guide for Developmental Language Arts through ESOL Classes

The ESOL Learning Environment (What does the ESOL classroom look like?)

- Print rich / visuals
- Purposeful and planned collaborative routines through Differentiated Instruction
- Active learning through groups, pairs, projects
- Includes activities that promote listening, speaking, reading and writing in order to promote the use of oral language and academic vocabulary
- Presence of cumulative work (thematic, ongoing)
- Only Impact and Life texts
- Technology: (Imagine Learning for ESOL Level 1's; Achieve3000 for ESOL Levels 2,3,4;
 Nearpod)
 - 1. Technology is up and running (programs are installed, hardware is in working order, headphones have microphones)
 - 2. There is evidence of a technology schedule/rotation
 - 3. Students are familiar with their sign-in information
 - 4. Teacher is pulling reports
 - 5. Teacher is conducting data chats with students
 - 6. Teacher uses the reports to adjust instruction

The ESOL Learner (What is the ESOL student doing?)

- Manipulates language
- Knows and is working toward his goals
- Is engaged with:
 - 1. Thematic unit focus
 - Project based ideas
 - 3. Peer collaboration

Effective ESOL Teacher (What is the ESOL teacher doing/asking/saying?)

- CAN DO Philosophy in Action (Asset-based teaching to unleash students' potential)
- Extending Beyond the Text (Project-based learning, creating experiences instead of lessons)
- Technology Integration (Exemplar lessons in SAMR, Wakelet, SKYPE, OneNote, Sway, FlipGrid)
- Provides opportunities for academic conversations (Intentional talk)
- Exhibits knowledge of learners in order to plan for an effective learning environment that includes engagement and assessment.
- Shows evidence of the use of formative and summative data to inform their knowledge of learners in order to plan for the "whole child".