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Lara Speights Celebrates First Publication
Book Review Published in the Reading League Journal

May 26, 2023, Bellaire, TX – Neuhaus Education Center (NEC), a non-profit organization that specializes in literacy education, proudly announced today that Lara Speights, Vice President of Family Support and Adult Literacy and a dedicated scholar and esteemed member of the academic community, has published her first article. The piece, a book review, has been featured in the prestigious *Reading League Journal*, a renowned publication dedicated to advancing literacy education and research.

Authored as one of Speights' final products for a Fall 2022 PhD course, the book review delves into the comprehensive guide titled "Literacy Foundations for English Learners: A Comprehensive Guide to Evidence-Based Instruction." The review highlights the book's significant contributions to impactful professional learning in the field of literacy education.

The *Reading League Journal*, known for its rigorous selection process and commitment to publishing high-quality research, recognized the value and expertise conveyed in Speights' article. By featuring the book review, the Journal amplifies the insightful analysis and deep understanding of evidence-based instruction strategies for English learners presented by Speights.

As a passionate advocate for literacy education and professional development, Speights demonstrates their commitment to advancing the field through this notable publication. The book review showcases Speights' expertise and her ability to provide thoughtful, nuanced evaluations of educational resources that have a profound impact on instructional practices. Speights expresses deep gratitude to her course instructors and colleagues for their invaluable support and guidance throughout the writing process. This accomplishment marks an important milestone in her academic and professional journey, underscoring her dedication to research, teaching, and the pursuit of excellence in literacy education.

The book review can be accessed in the latest issue of the *Reading League Journal* or through its online platform at www.thereadingleague.org/journal/. Speights welcomes educators, researchers, and literacy enthusiasts to engage with her work and explore the valuable insights presented in the article.

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