

Hopes, Fears, and Burning Questions

Think about a change you are facing. Describe it here:

Complete the following items with your selected change in mind.



Describe your **HOPES** for the children, for your classroom, for your program, or for yourself.



Write down your **FEARS** for the children, for your classroom, for your program, or for yourself.



Write down at least three **BURNING QUESTIONS** you have about your identified change.



Now review your burning questions. Sort your questions by putting symbols next to each. Then address your questions by following the suggestions in boldface.

This symbol  indicates a question that a friend or colleague can help you answer. **Whom can you seek out?**

This symbol  indicates a question that will require more time to resolve. **Set up a time frame for yourself.**

This symbol  indicates a question that would benefit from additional professional development or further study. **List options for classes or additional learning.**

Now think about a new strategy or resource you are willing to explore to face your current challenge, and write it down here.

It is important to use your go-to strategies *and* to push yourself to try new strategies. This will help you learn and grow professionally and personally.