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Helen began her career teaching elementary school in Ohio and moved to Michigan where she used her reading degree as a Title I teacher and Learning Resource Teacher. She spent 17 years as a building administrator at the elementary and middle school level and also served a district as the Interim Director of Instruction for two years. Most of her administrative experience has been with Title I schools. In addition to consulting, she has taught graduate courses for Oakland University and has published a best selling series for Corwin Press, Performance-Based Curriculum; From Knowing to Showing.

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