



# Stuck Improving: Racial Equity and School Leadership

## Starter Questions: Sharing Your Reading Experience

1. What did you expect to learn coming into the book? How did your experience reading the book match or deviate from your expectations? In what ways?
2. What was your favorite part (chapter, section, or passage) of the book? Why?
3. What do you consider the top 3 takeaways from the book?
4. As you read the book, what surprised you?
5. If you could ask Dr. Irby one question about the book, what would it be and why?

## Text Analysis Activity for Groups

Step 1. Circle three words that you consider the most powerful words in the book. Write the words below:

Word 1:

Word 2:

Word 3:



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Step 2. Underline three sentences that you think reflect the challenges or opportunities of the research project the book recounts. Write the page and paragraph of the sentences in the space below.

Sentence 1:

Sentence 2:

Sentence 3:

Step 3. Highlight three passages that are important for educational researchers to take into consideration when designing or conducting participatory research partnership with education practitioners. Write the page numbers of the passages below:

Passage 1:

Passage 2:

Passage 3:

Step 4. Without talking or interrupting, have each person share word 1. After each person has shared their word without interruption, ask each person to read aloud, without interruption, the sentence they selected.

Step 5. Use the words, sentences, or passages to initiate a discussion about why the selected passages were identified as important.

Repeat steps 4 and 5 necessary.



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## Deepening the Conversation with Your Own Questions

Develop 2-3 questions that you would like to explore with your book study group. Write the questions below and place them in a hat or knapsack. Pick a question from the sack. Present it to the group and discuss it.

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**Thank you for engaging in a "Stuck Improving" book study. We invite you to keep the conversation going.**

Do you have a question that was not addressed in the study guide? Ask Dr. Irby by tagging @stuckimproving on X.

