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| **Professional Development Description** |
| **Name of Entity:** 95 Percent Group, LLC |
| **Name of Product:** Top Ten Tools |
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| **Audience:**[ ]  Principals and Administrators [x]  K-3 Teachers [ ]  K-12 Teachers | **Delivery Format:** [x]  Online asynchronous, independent[ ]  Online synchronous, live [ ]  Online with live component[ ]  In-person, face-to-face live[ ]  Hybrid |
| **Contact Hours:** 45 hours |
| **Description of Professional Development:**Top Ten Tools is an on-line reading course developed upon a firm foundation of proven knowledge and pedagogy, research and practice that truly informs the daily work teachers do to teach their students to read and write. The 45-hour course is developed around ten units, or Tools, each reflecting the knowledge and practice of reading and writing instruction supported by research. The ten tools in the course are: 1. Knowledge – A Reading Teacher’s Foremost Tool
2. Oral language – A Foundation for Literacy
3. Phonemes – Paving the Way to Print and Meaning
4. Phonics and Spelling – Effective Decoding and Encoding Instruction
5. Vocabulary – The Blueprint of a Word
6. Comprehension – The Text and the Mental Model
7. Fluency – Understanding Practice and Automaticity
8. Writing – Write! Written Responses to Reading
9. Read Alouds – A Tool for Building Language Comprehension
10. Collaboration – Two Heads are Better Than One

Each Tool begins with a knowledge update to ground teachers in current thinking about the “what to teach”, to whom, and the “how to teach”. Distinctive to this course, each tool offers unique video examples of real teaching in real classrooms with real students in grades kindergarten through 6th grade. Teachers have shared, “It was the real teaching, seeing what we learned, play out with kids, that made the content of this course so helpful.”The course is available or 3 PD/CEU credits from Northwest Nazarene University. One- and two-year pacing guides are available. Interactive discussion prompts, readings, Classroom Video Activity Booklets with blackline masters are downloaded from within the course. |