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- * Instructional strategies based on an analysis of more than 20 years of research on what works (and what doesn't work).
- * A depiction of teachers, not as the problem when it comes to the achievement gap, but as champions of students.
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