

ProMISE Protocol

A protocol based on the work of Singleton and Linton, 2006, who used it with their book *Courageous Conversations About Race*

PURPOSE: Reflect on the author's perspective and your response to a text morally, intellectually, socially and emotionally.

PROCESS:

1. **Distribute** copies of the "Compass"
 - a. **Review** the four points or quadrants before reading the text.
 - b. **Explain** that *ProMISE means
 - i. A **PRO**-active journey towards examining and understanding the
 - ii. **Moral**,
 - iii. **Intellectual**,
 - iv. **Social**, and
 - v. **Emotional** foundations of an issue
2. **Divide** into groups of three to five.
3. **Select and read** the text. Highlight sections that correspond to the four points of the "compass." *Note:* not everyone will have comments for all sections of the "compass."

SPONGE: **Skim** the second text.

4. Continuous roundrobin
 - a. **Choose** one point on the "Compass".
 - b. Each group member **shares** their response to it. **Continue** with each point on the "Compass."
5. Closure
 - a. **Solo think:** Based on what you heard, what are the implications for your practice?
 - b. Round robin **share**
6. Whole group – short debrief
 - a. Summary of your thinking OR
 - b. How did the protocol work for you?