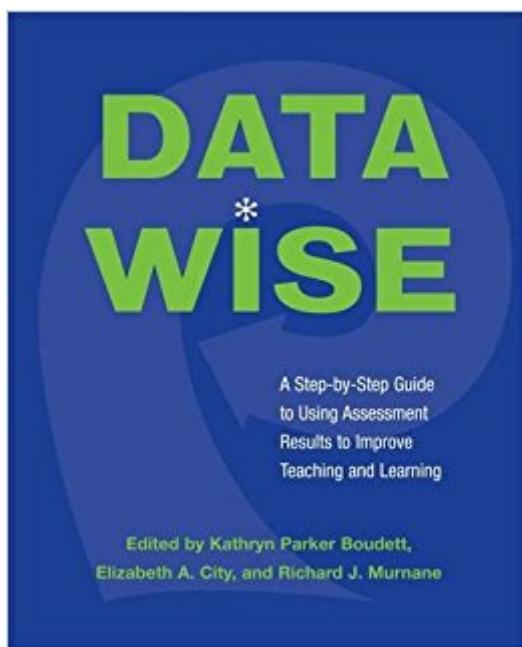


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# Data Wise: A Step-by-Step Guide To Using Assessment Results To Improve Teaching And Learning



## **Synopsis**

In the wake of the accountability movement, school administrators are inundated with data about their students. How can they use this information to support student achievement? This book presents a clear and carefully tested blueprint for school leaders. It shows how examining test scores and other classroom data can become a catalyst for important schoolwide conversations that will enhance schools' ability to capture teachers' knowledge, foster collaboration, identify obstacles to change, and enhance school culture and climate.

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An important book for any coach, mentor or administrator in schools. This is useful and practical which is not always the case with education texts! Not daunting, short, and easy to read with both elementary and secondary examples. In a data crazy era all teachers should read this as well!

This book has excellent scenarios with the application of ideas based on real data. This book is small, but mighty in its timely and relevant advice.

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This book helps you to get a handle on using data to drive instruction. The cycle included is a good visual reference.

Great practical ideas for the educator who wants to take their understanding of how to use data to the next level.

The 9-step process the authors outline provides a valuable resource to administrators in using data as a integral part of the school improvement process.

Great

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