

NCCS Wait Time Cheat Sheet

When	Teacher Prompts to Launch	Teacher Purpose	Teacher Prompts During/After
Rollout	 T: This is a spicy question S: Mmmm. Spicy. T: That means you're going to think and I'm going to wait. Don't raise hands until I ask. (Repeat question.) 	 Make transparent. 	 T: Hands! T: (Narrate raised hands) T: Kaleb, nice job using your thinking time to review the text. (Repeat question.)
Building the Habit	 T: This is a spicy question S: Mmmm, Spicy. T: Question. You're thinking. Go. 	 Narrate hands. Prompt thinking skills. 	 T: This is a 2nd grade question. Who's ready to take a risk T: I have 5 hands, but need all of them. T: I see Jamie using the 100s chart. T: I see Malik rereading the dialogue on pg. 2. T: I see Jaida making that perfect sentence in her brain. She's restating the question in her head. T: Remember, hands are down and you're thinking. NOTE: PRECISE PRAISE IS BEST I see Charlie checking his notes. I see Sara is thinking.
When it's	T: Spicy question	 Give real 	Teacher is silent and circulating
a Habit	S: Mmmm, Spicy.T: Question & Gesture.	thinking time.	 Private checkins, if necessary ("like how I see you doing xyz)