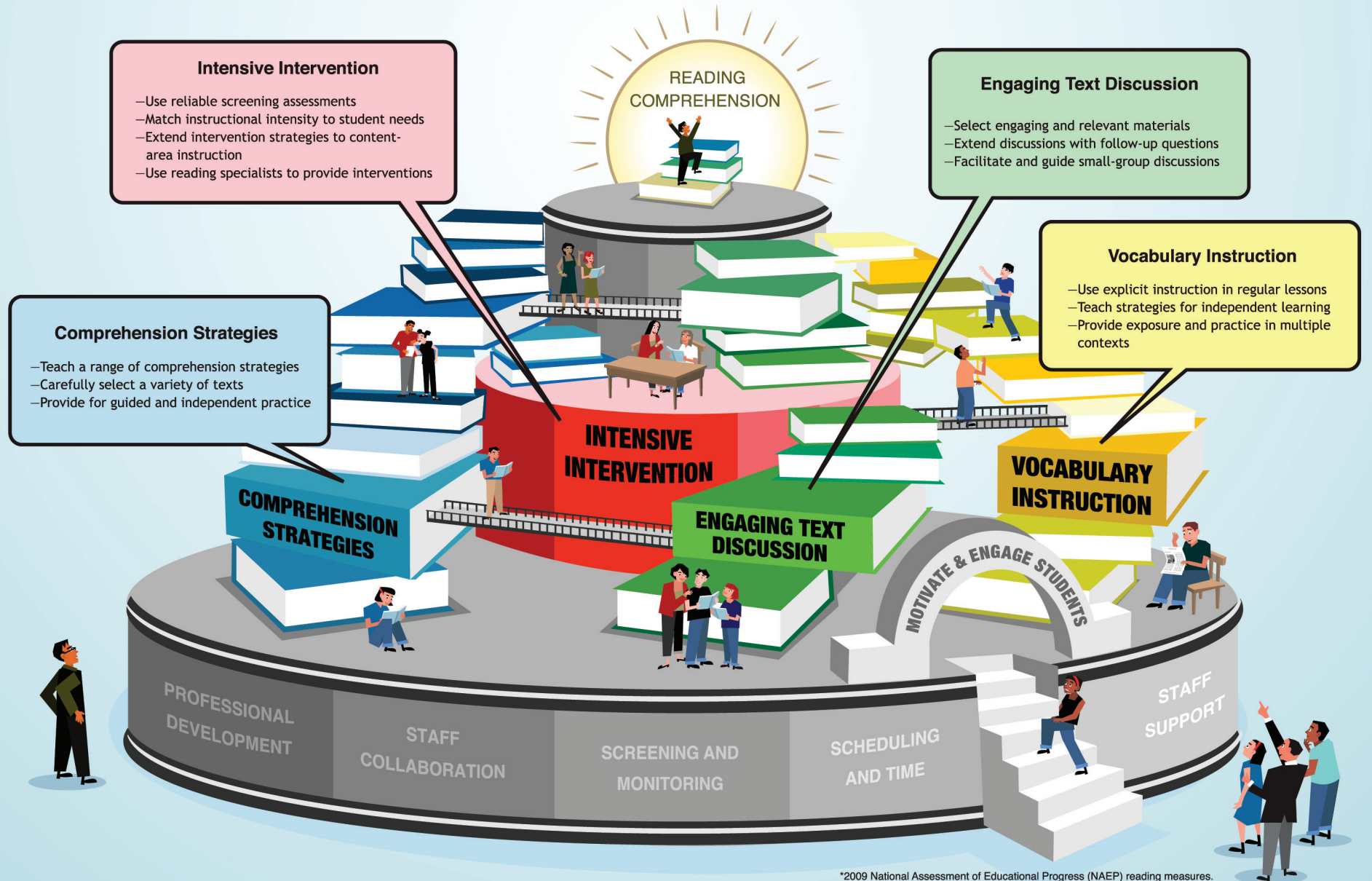


Adolescent Literacy

Two-thirds of eighth grade students fall below the proficient level in their ability to comprehend the meaning of text.* Reading ability is also a key predictor of achievement in mathematics and science. A panel of experts has identified four research-based practices to help improve adolescents' reading comprehension skills so that they can take full advantage of instruction in all of the content areas.



*2009 National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) reading measures.