

# ABOUT THE AUTHORS

The orientation of this book blends the interests and experience of the two authors, in order to assure you that what is proposed in this book would be practical for you to implement. The content of the book is informed by the experiences of many years of working with teachers in the classroom over the years.

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