Certain teaching strategies can make a difference to literacy scores equivalent to one school year

Mean reading literacy scores, Government schools, Australia

The teacher:

- Gives students the chance to ask questions
- Asks students to explain the meaning of a text
- Tells students in advance how their work is going to be judged
- Gives students enough time to think about their answers
- Asks questions that challenge students to better understand a text
- Encourages students to express their opinion
- Asks whether every student has understood how to complete assignments
- Marks students’ work
- Discusses students’ work, after they have finished the their assignments
- Poses questions that motivate students to participate actively

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Happens hardly ever or in some cases

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The difference in literacy scores is equivalent to one school year

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Happens in most or all lessons