EDITORIAL

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With my summer schedule allowing for a little more "free" time, I was able to complete my reading of *The Teaching Gap*, by James W. Stigler and James Hiebert (The Free Press, 1999). Using a series of videos that were produced from the Third International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS), these researchers compare mathematics teaching practices in Japan and Germany with those in the United States. I found the comparisons to be quite striking and revealing.

Stigler and Hiebert suggest that the task of improving American students' performance in mathematics will require solutions that focus on impacting the quality of teaching inside classrooms. Teaching, they argue, is cultural. They propose that, not teachers, but patterns of teaching must be changed. They further propose ways schools can be restructured so that teachers can engage in collaborative lesson study and development. I encourage you to read this book.

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