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That is why these books often become more useful once fieldwork begins. Ideas that felt abstract in class become concrete when students are trying to plan instruction, support participation, and connect values of inclusion with actual classroom reality. A methods text that can be revisited with notes already in it often carries real professional value.

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