

essential question: What influence do I
bring to my reading?

Agenda:

Vocab quiz

poem and journal

"The Necklace" - read and annotate

Homework: Read and annotate "The Necklace"

Sonrisas
by Pat Mora

boring
bitter briskness

I live in a doorway between two rooms. I hear quiet
clicks, cups of black coffee, click, click like facts
budgets, tenure, curriculum, from careful women
in crisp beige suits, quick beige smiles
that seldom sneak into their eyes.

I peek in the other room señoras
in faded dresses stir sweet
milk coffee, laughter whirls
with steam from fresh tamales
sh, sh, mucho ruido,
they scold one another,
press their lips, trap smiles
in their dark, Mexican eyes.

office setting
"cold" "k" sound
w/o feeling
dull, bland
ticking clock
schedules
soft consonant sounds
importance of time

calm + peaceful

