

Synthetic phonics has proven to be the fastest and most efficient way to teach early reading and spelling. Leading schools right across Australia are seeing their NAPLAN literacy results rocket - due to one simple change - synthetic phonics.

In this series of **free** webinars our team of literacy consultants take you through synthetic phonics; how to get going, best practice and what really works in your classroom – teacher to teacher.

Dyslexia and Synthetic Phonics - Michael Wood



Michael will give you an overview of Dyslexia and its many characteristics. He will explain how a systematic phonics program can give Dyslexic children the sturdy foundation they need.

Parents are more than welcome too!

4pm (Hong Kong Time): Wednesday 16th July 2014

- What is Dyslexia?
- The theory underpinning Synthetic Phonics
- The commonalities between good Dyslexia teaching and good catch up
- How the Get Reading Right resources can be used with Dyslexic children

Ready to Roll with Synthetic Phonics - Katherine Wood



Katherine Wood's top tips for starting a synthetic phonics program. What is synthetic phonics and what it should look like in your school.

4pm (Hong Kong Time): Wednesday 23rd July 2014

- How synthetic phonics has your Kindy/Prep students surpassing the Year 1 National Curriculum standards
- The synthetic phonics scope and sequence explained
- The plan to catch-up the older years, quickly
- How to create a culture where zero reading failure is the goal
- Get parents on board and supporting your classroom work

Synthetic Phonics Terminology Explained! - Jo-Anne Dooner



Just like maths or science, synthetic phonics has its own jargon and specific terminology which teachers and children should use day-to-day. Jo-Anne Dooner will take you through these tricky terms, so you feel confident enough to use them, as easy as you would the terms 'multiplication' and 'division' in maths!

5pm (Hong Kong Time): Wednesday 30th July 2014

- The theory underpinning synthetic phonics
- What are the terms a child needs to know?
- Why is this important?
- How to improve teacher to student feedback using precise terminology

Guided Reading - Jo-Anne Dooner



The more practice and consolidation you can give, the stronger phonics skills will be. Guided reading is the ideal way to embed phonics skills.

5pm (Hong Kong Time): Wednesday 6th August 2014

- What is guided reading?
- How to use decodable stories
- How to assess during guided reading

Rocketing Reading with Phonics Hero - Katherine Wood



Phonics Hero is a great interactive resource to use to spice up your teaching or to reinforce phonics learning at home. What's more, children love the fun, interactive games!

4pm (Hong Kong Time): Wednesday 20th August 2014

- The logic behind Phonics Hero
- How it complements what's going on in the classroom
- How interactive games will engage the reluctant reader
- Setting up Phonics Hero for home use

Encoding Difficulties and Synthetic Phonics - Shirley Houston



What is going wrong when a child has spelling difficulties? What is the science behind catching-up children in spelling? Learning difficulties specialist, Shirley Houston, explains.

4pm (Hong Kong Time): Wednesday 10th September 2014

- The encoding process
- What can go wrong in the encoding process?
- How to determine students' encoding strategies and skills
- The place of synthetic phonics in encoding instruction
- How to minimise encoding difficulties with effective teaching strategies

About the Speakers

Jo-Anne Dooner

Jo-Anne Dooner is the co-founder of Get Reading Right and author of the best selling Synthetic Phonics Toolkit.



Shirley Houston

Shirley has a Masters degree in Special Education and has been teaching children and training teachers in Australia for 30 years.



Katherine Wood

Katherine works with schools across Australia and Asia getting them going with synthetic phonics.



Michael Wood

An educational psychologist for over 30 years Michael is the co-founder of Get Reading Right and consults with schools on literacy and children with special needs.



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