



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.

Please Note: ALL times listed below are Sydney Time.

### Synthetic Phonics Explained - Katherine Wood

Katherine will take you through the theory and practice of Synthetic Phonics. Join her to understand:

- How phonics fits in the bigger literacy picture
- How it is different to other phonics methods •

What is Synthetic Phonics?

• How it improves spelling as well as reading

#### Parents on Board with Synthetic Phonics - Shirley Houston 6pm: Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> Nov 2014

If parents stick to the principles of Synthetic Phonics too, your students will get the extra, consistent reinforcement that makes all the difference. Shirley Houston will take you through her tips for getting parents on board:

- What parents need to know about reading and spelling
- What parents need to know about Synthetic Phonics instruction
- What parents can do to develop strong literacy skills using Get Reading Right
- How parents can support the classroom teacher in literacy development

### 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!

- The logic behind Phonics Hero
- How it complements what's going on in the classroom •

#### **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!

- 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

### **Direct Instruction - Michael Wood**

Millions of dollars are being spent promoting 'Direct Instruction' methods; but what is this approach and how can it be used in the teaching of Synthetic Phonics? This webinar is an introduction to Direct Instruction and why, when integrated into a Synthetic Phonics approach, it is one of education's most effective tools.

- What is Direct Instruction and how does it differ from other forms of instruction and teaching? •
- What does a Direct Instruction program look like?
- What is the evidence that this approach is one of the most effective approaches in teaching?
- How can Synthetic Phonics be taught using Direct Instruction?

#### 6pm: Wednesday 3rd Dec 2014

6pm: Wednesday 12th Nov 2014

How interactive games will engage the reluctant reader

6pm: Wednesday 26th Nov 2014

Setting up Phonics Hero for home use

6pm: Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct 2014



# **Katherine Wood**

Katherine works with schools across Australia and Asia getting them going with Synthetic Phonics.

**Shirley Houston** 

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

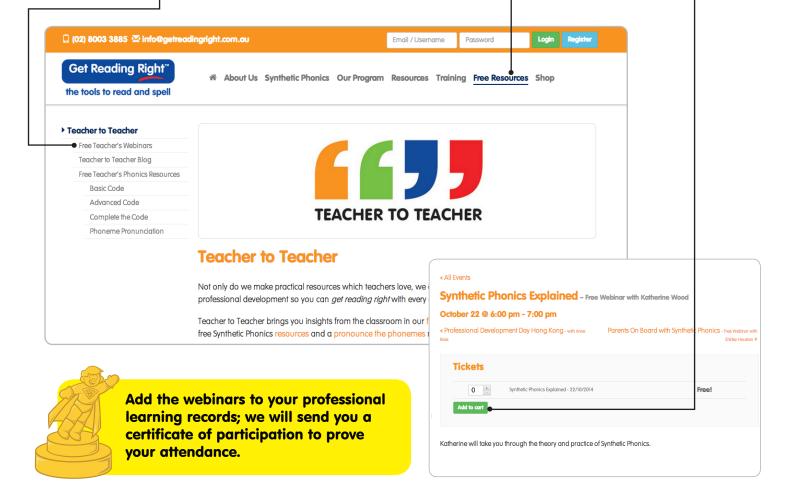
## **Michael Wood**

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.

# Registration

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