PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP

speech pathology TASMANIA

Unlocking English Orthography to **Transform Spelling & Reading**

About

Format: In-person training **Length:** 2-3 hours + optional 30 min question time

This professional learning explores the logic of English spelling through phonemes, graphemes, syllables, morphemes, and meaning. Participants examine literacy theories, spelling patterns, common errors, and practical teaching strategies that support reading fluency, automatic word recognition, and written expression. Sessions are explicit, classroom ready, and aligned with scope and sequence progression.

Facilitated by: Linda McKillop, Certified Practising Speech Pathologist | Certified Dyslexia, Reading & Orton-Gillingham Practitioner | Certified Master Trainer for Orton Gillingham in Australia.

Suitable for: School teachers, teacher assistants, literacy leads and English coordinators, learning support and intervention teachers, new and experienced teachers.

Logistics:

- Training date to be negotiated to suit both parties
- The enquirer (business or organisation) will provide a suitable venue for the training group
- Access to a whiteboard, markers, Wi-Fi, and a projector or large smart TV screen is required
- A quote will be provided on request (depending on location and any additional requirements)
- Each participant will receive a certificate of completion.

What's included

Goals of the Training:

- Develop a clear understanding of English orthography and how spelling patterns reflect sound, meaning, and structure
- Strengthen the ability to teach spelling explicitly and systematically using an Orton–Gillingham–aligned approach
- Build confidence in applying research informed spelling practices within classroom and intervention settings.

What You'll Explore:

- How phonology, orthography, morphology, and semantics work together to support reading, spelling, and writing.
- Common spelling patterns, rules, & generalisations in English.
- Diagnostic and pattern based approaches for identifying and addressing spelling difficulties.



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