

Changing the Future

Effective teaching of students at risk of literacy failure



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Do you ...

- Feel frustrated with children who struggle with literacy for no apparent reason?
- Desperately want to find strategies that will help these students?
- Need access to the latest research in this area?
- Want cost effective strategies that will work within the **inclusive classroom**?

Changing the Future

This evidence-based, practical course will run over 8 weeks, consisting of 2½ hours each session. We will examine a range of topics that take participants from oral language through to reading fluency and accurate spelling. The course will be presented by Mandy Nayton (DSF) and Steve Heath (UWA).

Specifically, the sessions will cover:

- Wk 1 (7th May) How we learn literacy. The importance of early oral language development and the psycholinguistic model*
- Wk 2 (14th May) The role of phonological awareness: the importance of developing knowledge and skills in phonemic awareness*
- Wk 3 (21st May) Switching on to sound. Assessing phonological awareness and developing programs to improve phonological & phonemic skills.*
- Wk 4 (28th May) Writing down the sounds: the importance of the alphabetic principle and the components of an evidence-based structured phonics program*
- Wk 5 (11th June) When things go wrong? What works? An examination of the research evidence underpinning successful intervention programs*
- Wk 6 (18th June) Using students' strengths 1: Etymology – understanding how the origin of words affects both spelling and semantics*
- Wk 7 (25th June) Using students' strengths 2: Grammar – awareness of syntax (sentence structure) and morphology (word structure) assists students in the development of strong literacy skills*
- Wk 8 (2nd July) Using students' strengths 3: Memory – how well we remember information and the strategies students adopt to assist in the acquisition of literacy skills will be examined in this session*

Date: Commencing Monday 7th May 2012

Cost: Members \$695 Non-Members \$725

Venue: DSF Literacy Services

10 Broome Street (off Douglas Ave), South Perth

Time: 4.00pm – 6.30pm

About Mandy Nayton

Mandy is currently the Executive Officer of The Dyslexia-Speld Foundation. She is a developmental and educational psychologist as well as a qualified teacher with extensive experience in the field of educational and counselling psychology. Mandy assesses children, teenagers and adults struggling with the acquisition of effective literacy skills and recommends appropriate class-based and individual strategies. Mandy is passionate about improving outcomes for frustrated and unhappy students and their teachers.

About Steve Heath

Steve is a clinical and research psychologist and also a trained teacher. She has a special interest in disorders of language and literacy and particularly phonological processing. She works clinically with primary school aged children and adults. Steve works in the multi-disciplinary team at the UWA Child Study Centre Learning Clinic with students whose specific learning disabilities interfere with their academic achievement.

Please complete the registration slip attached and fax it to DSF on 9217 2599 or post it to DSF Literacy Services, PO Box 409, South Perth WA 6951

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TAX INVOICE ABN 91 443 012 556

Please register me to attend: **Changing The Future**

Course Code: 112T

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Name of Person Attending: (Please Print)

Name of Person Paying:

Address of Person Paying:

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Telephone (Daytime): Mobile:

Payment Options (Office use only: Receipt Number:)

My cheque payable to DSF Literacy Services is enclosed

Please post to: PO Box 409, SOUTH PERTH 6951

OR please debit my credit card:

Bankcard MasterCard Visa Expiry Date: / Amount: \$.....

Credit Card Account No:

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CANCELLATION POLICY

DSF Literacy Services has a 'no refund' policy. The exception would be when a Professional Learning Course had to be cancelled by the Foundation. All other requests for cancellation will be invited to re-register for another session. Late cancellation (less than 48 hrs) will necessitate the Foundation deducting an administration fee of \$25.00 and transferring the balance to another Professional Learning Course.