

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 4 days. 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 Steve Heath (UWA) and Mandy Nayton (DSF).

Specifically, the sessions will cover:

Day 1.

*How we learn literacy
The role of phonological awareness*

Day 3.

*When things go wrong - What works?
Successful interventions to date. Using students'
strengths 1: A metacognitive, problem-solving
approach to developing literacy skills*

Day 2.

*Switching on to sound
Writing down the sounds: phonics*

Day 4.

*Using students' strengths 2: Using
morphology and grammatical
knowledge to spell and read
Using students' strengths 3:
Metamemory and reading fluency*

Dates: Tuesday 13th – 16th April 2010

Venue: DSF Literacy & Clinical Services

10 Broome Street (off Douglas Ave), South Perth

Cost: \$660 (GST inclusive)

(A light lunch will be provided)

Time: 9.00am – 3.30pm

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.

About Mandy Nayton

Mandy is currently the Executive Officer of DSF. She is a practising psychologist and 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. Like Steve, Mandy is passionate about improving outcomes for frustrated and unhappy students and their teachers.

For full session details and registration form see web sites:

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