







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.

## 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.

#### 7pm: Wednesday 7th May 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!

## 7pm: Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 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

### 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!

7pm: Wednesday 28th May 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.

#### 7pm: Wednesday 4th June 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

#### **Spelling - Jo-Anne Dooner**

With words like 'yacht', 'ballet' and 'chemist', English feels like a tricky language. Jo-Anne Dooner will take you through the logic of teaching, and explaining, spelling.

7pm: Wednesday 11th June 2014

- What makes a good speller?
- Spelling and synthetic phonics
- Explaining spelling to children

### **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.

7pm: Wednesday 25th June 2014

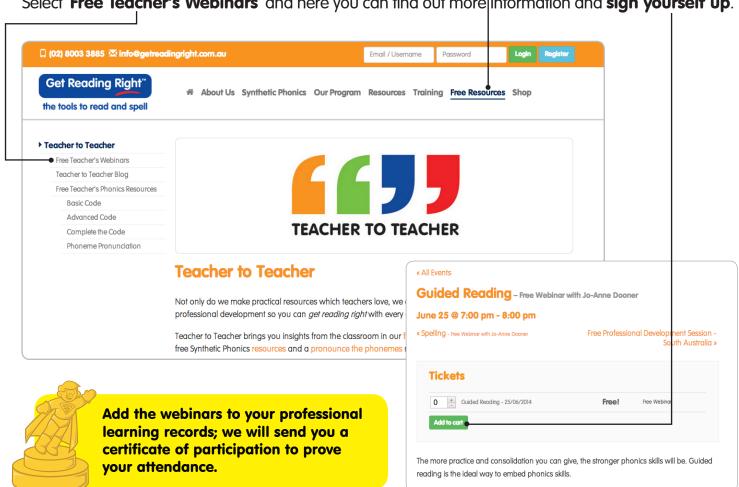
- What is guided reading?
- How to use decodable stories
- How to assess during guided reading



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