Linda McKillop: Professional Biography

Certified Practising Speech Pathologist | Certified Dyslexia, Reading & Orton-Gillingham Practitioner | Certified Master Trainer for O-G in Australia

Linda McKillop is an accomplished Speech Pathologist of almost 40 years' experience. Her passion is building children's literacy by building teacher knowledge. Linda loves training teachers and other school practitioners because this is absolutely key to ensuring every child receives best-practice literacy instruction and a secure, stimulating, learning environment. She is deeply grateful to those who want to build their knowledge to make literacy accessible to everyone.

Linda's expertise has grown through love of collaboration with clients and colleagues and her training sessions directly apply this knowledge through the systematic and thorough Orton-Gillingham (O-G) Language Approach.

Career and Experience

Linda began her craft at Curtin University and continued into speech pathology roles within education, community health, and private practice. Since 2005, she has played a key role at Speech Pathology Tasmania, and has loved collaborating with and being part of SPT's committed community.

Training and Expertise

Linda is an Accredited Orton-Gillingham Practitioner and Accredited Member and advisor for the International Dyslexia Association. She has a deep understanding of oral and written language and the role they play for all learners. Her own lifelong love of reading is part of her fuel for making literacy accessible to everyone.

Training and Mentorship

As a Certified Orton-Gillingham Master Trainer, Linda and her teams have followed the evidence about developing spoken and written language to develop the Orton-Gillingham Language Approach. This holistic training equips educators and parents with vibrant strategies for teaching reading and writing. Linda's fabulous training sessions receive high praise for their clarity, accessibility, warmth, practicality and responsiveness to participants' individual needs.

Impact and Joy

Linda finds immense joy in seeing her students make progress. She knows she has witnessed a life-changing moment when a struggling reader discovers the pleasure of getting lost in a book. She embodies the wonder, delight and dedication of a speech pathologist and educator working tirelessly to unlock every learner's potential through effective, equitable, evidence-based literacy instruction.

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