



Recommended Resources for Teachers

Books & Websites Promoting Children's Language and Reading Development

Unlocking Literacy: Effective Decoding & Spelling Instruction by Marcia Henry
(Paul H. Brookes Publishing Co., 2003)

Words Their Way: Word Study for Phonics, Vocabulary, and Spelling
By Donald R. Bear, Marcia Invernizzi, Shane Templeton, Francine R. Johnston
(Prentice Hall, 2007)

Strategies That Work: Teaching Comprehension for Understanding and Engagement by Stephanie Harvis and Anne Goudvis (Stenhouse Publishers, 2007).

Multisensory Teaching of Basic Language Skills by Judith Birsh (Brookes Publishing Co., 2005)

Big Ideas in Beginning Reading

<http://reading.uoregon.edu/>

This website provides information, technology, and resources to teachers. It includes definitions and descriptions of the research and theories behind each of the big ideas, describes how to assess the big ideas, and provides information on how to teach the big ideas in your classroom.

Reading Rockets

<http://www.readingrockets.org/>

What a wonderful resource this website is for teachers and parents whose aim is to help children learn to read. It provides classroom activities and plans for teachers as well as reading guides and research and children's' books reading lists for parents and teachers.

Reading a-z.com

<http://www.readinga-z.com/book/poetry.php>

Reading a-z.com is a terrific resource with activities, book selections, and more for teachers as well as parents. One section highlights rhyming and poetry books for pre-readers and beginning readers.

Vanderbilt University's Iris Center

<http://iris.peabody.vanderbilt.edu/resources.html>

Visit the IRIS Center for free online interactive resources that translates educational research into practice. Materials cover a wide variety of evidence-based topics, including learning strategies, RTI, and progress monitoring.

Books & Websites Promoting Children's Mathematical Development

The Myth of Ability: Nurturing Mathematical Talent in Every Student by John Mighton (Walker & Company (2004)

What is Dyscalculia?

<http://www.dyscalculiainfo.org>

A free chapter from the book, "What is Dyscalculia?" from the Cognitive Centre Sweden. Lots of information to help you decide if your child might have dyscalculia.

Math Playground

www.mathplayground.com

A site where children can play math games. These are a great way to sneak in some basic facts practice!

Two Great Books about Learning:

Mindset - The New Psychology of Success by Carol Dweck (Random House, 2006)

Educational Care by Mel Levine (Simon & Schuster, 2000)

Organizations and Training

The International Dyslexia Association Northern California Branch

<http://www.dyslexia-ncbida.org/scholarships.html>

IDA-NCB offers partial scholarships for classroom teachers to attend trainings in Multisensory Structured Language Education (MSLE) for summer trainings in the Bay Area. There is a full listing of Slingerland and Wilson summer trainings.

Orton-Gillingham Institute for Multi-sensory Education

www.orton-gillingham.com

This institute provides 30-hour training in the Orton-Gillingham technique.

Lindamood-Bell Professional Training

<http://www.lindamoodbell.com/professionaldevelopment/index.aspx>

Making Math Real

www.makingmathreal.org

Mel Levine Training

<http://www.allkindsofminds.org/pd/index.aspx>

All Kinds of Minds offers a variety of professional development opportunities for individual educators and entire schools. Building on scientific research, and in keeping with our philosophy that everyone learns differently, we have developed powerful professional development programs about learning that include:

Cultivating a Growth Mindset

<http://www.brainology.us/>

The Brainology® program is a fun, award-winning program that helps middle school and high school students gain confidence and motivation to learn by teaching them about the brain, how to strengthen it, and how to apply brain-friendly study skills.