

UNDERSTANDING ENGLISH ORTHOGRAPHY

Implications for teaching phonics and spelling

A Seminar for All Primary School Teachers Presented by **David Hornsby**

This seminar will focus on helping teachers understand that English spelling makes sense! We will see that English spelling integrates morphology, etymology and phonology to link spelling and meaning, and that it has developed to advance comprehension rather than pronunciation.

There is a growing body of research debunking myths around phonics and spelling. This seminar will go beyond the educational concept of 'phonics' and explore the linguistic concept of 'orthographic phonology'. We will focus on how to help students become strategic spellers with an inquiry mindset.

David will discuss practical and effective teaching procedures that are systematic, explicit and rigorous. He will show how structured word inquiry

- deepens students' understandings of phonics and spelling
- extends their vocabulary
- improves their critical thinking

During the day, David will also discuss

- the place of phonemic awareness
- developmental stages in spelling
- assessment to inform teaching
- phonics in context vs extreme phonics

This seminar is highly relevant for all primary classroom teachers, Principals, Literacy Leaders and Speech Pathologists and sits beautifully within an inquiry approach to teaching and learning.

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Eden Gardens,
Macquarie Park NSW



Completing "Understanding English Orthography" will contribute 5 hours of NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) Registered PD addressing 2.1.2, 2.2.2, 2.3.2, 2.4.2, 2.5.2, 3.1.2, 3.2.2, 3.3.2, 3.4.2, 3.5.2, 5.1.2, 5.2.2, 5.3.2, 5.4.2 from the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers towards maintaining Proficient Teacher Accreditation in NSW.

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Outstanding presenter – explicit and practical. I was hanging on every word!

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