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Early Talk Boost Practitioner Training

Tutor: Helen Sutherland

Mon 27 Nov & Mon 4 Dec 2017
4.30pm – 6.30pm (registration from
 4.15pm)



This 4-hour evening training course is run over 2 days and is for early years' practitioners working with groups of 3-4 year olds in early years settings.

Cost is £75 per person for 2-day course (plus cost of *Early Talk Boost Pack* – see below). See separate booking form.

Developed by I CAN specialists, **Early Talk Boost** is a targeted intervention helping to boost the language skills of 3-4 year old children with delayed language development to help narrow the gap between them and their peers. Evaluation shows that after **Early Talk Boost**, children make statistically significant progress in their early language. On average they make 6 months progress after a nine week intervention helping them to catch up with other children their age. This is twice the amount of progress of children not having the intervention..

The course is run by **Helen Sutherland**, the Children's Centre Manager at Dorking Nursery School & Children's Centre. Helen has worked with children with speech, language and communication difficulties for many years both as a Speech and Language Therapist and more recently offering support and advice to parents and colleagues about children's communication development.

<p>What age is the <i>Early Talk Boost</i> intervention aimed at?</p> <p>The Early Talk Boost intervention is designed for children aged 3-4 with delayed language development, typically those who have:</p> <p>Difficulty in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • listening/paying attention • understanding language • organizing and using language • explaining or describing • taking turns <p>Plus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Poor vocabulary • Immature sentences <p>This means children who have intact language learning ability in themselves but for some reason haven't had the opportunity to develop age-appropriate language.</p>	<p>How is the group intervention delivered to the children?</p> <p>The intervention is delivered 3 times per week during circle/story time by a trained early years practitioner to a group of up to 8 children over a 9 week period. The intervention is supported by an initial training package and includes an <i>Early Talk Boost Tracker</i> to help identify appropriate children for the intervention and to measure their progress. This intervention also includes a workshop for parents/carers to enable them to develop children's communication and language skills at home.</p>	<p>How is this practitioner training delivered?</p> <p>Our 4-hour training course is run over 2 days by Helen Sutherland, a Licensed I CAN Tutor.</p> <p>The training will give you the skills and knowledge to understand the rationale behind <i>Early Talk Boost</i>, identify appropriate children, measure their progress and deliver the intervention successfully.</p> <p>It is held at: Dorking Nursery School & Children's Centre West Street Dorking, Surrey, RH4 1BY</p> <p>Dates: Mon 27 Nov & 4 Dec Time: 4.30pm – 6.30pm</p> <p style="color: red;">Participants must bring an <i>Early Talk Boost pack</i> with them</p>	<p>How much does the <i>Early Talk Boost</i> training cost?</p> <p>This training for practitioners costs £75 per person for the 2-day training, payable to Dorking Nursery School.</p> <p style="color: red;">Prior to attending this course participants will need to order the <i>Early Talk Boost Intervention Pack</i> (containing 1 x <i>Intervention Manual</i>, 1 x <i>Participant book</i>, <i>Parent Workshop materials</i>, <i>Tracker Tool</i>, toolkit of toys, <i>Tizzy puppets</i>, musical instruments and 10 x 8 <i>Jake and Tizzy story books</i>.) The cost of this pack is £450 (delegates only need to purchase 1 pack per setting. 3 practitioners can be trained per pack ordered). Packs can be purchased from the I CAN charity – http://www.ican.org.uk/earlytalboost.</p>
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