



Workshops

Dates:

Session 1 & 2

**7 February 2009,
Saturday**

**14 February 2009,
Saturday**

Session 1 & 2

**25 July 2009,
Saturday**

**1 August 2009,
Saturday**

Duration:

3 hours for each session

Time:

9.30 am – 12.30 pm

Venue:

Singapore Management
University
School of Economics &
Social Sciences
90 Stamford Road
S(178903)

Fee for both sessions:

SGD\$128.40

For enquiries, please
contact the Training Dept
at Tel: 6444 5700

Understanding PHONICS Instruction

Does your child have trouble reading and spelling fluently?

Do you know how you can help him/her?

Join this workshop which will introduce you to the basics of phonics instruction. Phonics is the relationship between the sounds in spoken English and the letters of the alphabet that represent them in writing. It is necessary for children to know phonics in order to read and spell 84% of English words.

You will learn tools and strategies you can use to support your child at home. Session 1 provides an understanding of the components of good phonics instruction. Session 2 introduces practical strategies for teaching phonics. There will also be practice in some letter-sounds of English. Participants **must** attend both sessions.

Some Topics to be Covered:

- . Tools for multisensory phonics instruction
- . Nature and role of phonological awareness in reading and spelling phonetic words
- . Strategies for developing phonological awareness
- . Strategies for teaching letter-sound correspondence

Funding Available

The CareGivers Training Grant is available to parents with a child with disability (with dyslexia). Closing date for the application of grant for this workshop is 16 Jan 09 (for 1st run) and 3 Jul 09 (for 2nd run).

Ref: CTG034/08/09

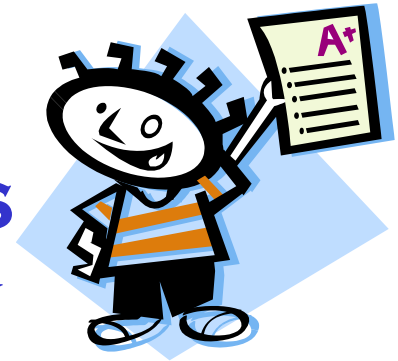
How to Apply

- Parents applying for CareGivers Training Grant for workshop, please complete registration form Annex A,
- Parents not applying for CareGivers Training Grant and educators, please complete registration form Annex B, and send to the Dyslexia Association of Singapore.



Workshops

DEVELOPING YOUR CHILD'S VOCABULARY

**Dates:**

28 February 2009,
Saturday

Duration:

3 hours

Time:

9.30 am – 12.30 pm

Venue:

Singapore Management
University
School of Economics &
Social Sciences
90 Stamford Road
S(178903)

Fees:

\$64.20

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To improve your student's / child's reading comprehension, firstly the child must improve their vocabulary. This is especially important if the child's first language preference is not to speak in English.

When a student's vocabulary improves, it is said that even a F-grade student can achieve a D-C grade 82% of the time.

To improve a student's vocabulary, it's important to change their style of reading from a passive to an active reading process.

This involves identifying different "key words" in a passage. The "key-words" unlocks the meaning of the passage.

Electronic dictionaries can be used to explain the meaning of words. Individual words can be placed in diagrams to enable the student to study the words, prior to reading the text. You will also learn to create a handout for your child/student that will enable him/her to read any text.

For this practical session, participants are required to bring along materials that they would use to support their child/student. Please bring along two different colored highlighters, an electronic dictionary or a dictionary you would use with your child/student, and three different colored post-its.

Electronic dictionaries can be purchased prior and during the workshop at a discounted price for participants of the workshop. Order forms are available at DAS.

Who Should Attend?

This is a skills-based course, and is open to both **parents and educators**.

Funding Available

The CareGivers Training Grant is available to parents with a child with disability (with dyslexia). Closing date for the application of grant for this workshop is 6 Feb 09. **Ref: CTG026/08/09**

How to Apply

- Parents applying for CareGivers Training Grant for workshop, please complete registration form Annex A,
- Parents not applying for CareGivers Training Grant and educators, please complete registration form Annex B, and send to the Dyslexia Association of Singapore.



Workshops

Helping Upper Primary and Secondary Students Develop Effective Study Skills



Dates:
7 March 2009,
Saturday

Duration:
3 hours

Time:
9.30 am – 12.30 pm

Venue:
Singapore Management
University
School of Economics &
Social Sciences
90 Stamford Road
S(178903)

Fee:
SGD\$64.20

For enquiries, please
contact the Training Dept
at Tel: 6444 5700

Knowing how to study is one of the most important skills a student should have. This is one that is rarely taught. Acquiring effective study skills are the basis of effective learning. Developing effective study skills helps students to get better results by working smarter, not harder.

Sign up now for this workshop and learn how you can help your child develop powerful study skills that will last a lifetime!

The workshop also includes hands-on activities and practical strategies and discuss:

- Self-management tips
- Practice in using visualization to remember information
- Techniques to select information and make notes
- Become aware of memory and revision techniques
- How to improve test/examination skills

Funding Available

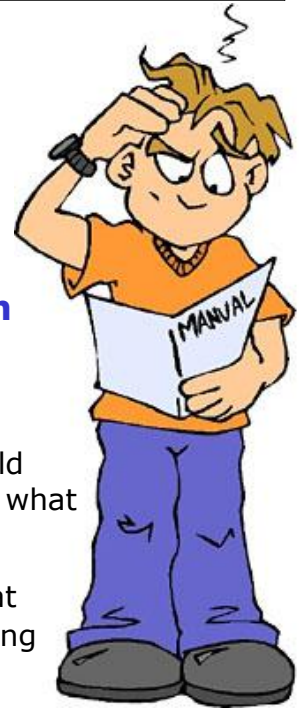
The CareGivers Training Grant is available only to parents with a child with disability (eg. dyslexia). **Closing date for the application of grant** for this workshop is 13 Feb 09. **Ref: CTG027/08/09**

How to Apply

- a. Parents applying for CareGivers Training Grant for workshop, please complete registration form Annex A,
- b. Parents not applying for CareGivers Training Grant, please complete registration form Annex B,
and send to the Dyslexia Association of Singapore.

Details also available on our website at **www.das.org.sg**.

Comprehension Skills



Dates:
14 March 2009,
Saturday

Duration:
3 hours

Time:
9:30 am – 12:30 pm

Venue:
Singapore Management
University
School of Economics &
Social Sciences
90 Stamford Road
S(178903)

Fee:
SGD\$64.20

For enquiries, please
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Can your child understand and explain what he/she is reading?

Reading isn't really **reading** if the child doesn't understand what he/she has read. Teach your child comprehension skills - that is, how to understand what he/she reads.

Join this workshop and learn simple strategies that you can teach your child to understand the meaning of what has been read. Some children encounter obstacles in learning to read because they do not derive meaning from the material that they read. You will also understand the difficulties they face when they try to comprehend what they have read.

The practical strategies we will share during this workshop will help children develop practical comprehension strategies as they read for different purposes.

Some Topics to be Covered:

- Developing visual memory strategies to understand the text.
- Before Reading Strategies, During Reading Strategies, After Reading Strategies
- Vocabulary development strategies to tackle the text .
- Use of frameworks designed to help dyslexic learner tackle comprehension texts

Funding Available

The CareGivers Training Grant is available only to parents with a child with disability (eg. dyslexia). **Closing date for the application of grant** for this workshop is 20 Feb 09. **Ref: PA0079/CTG04/08**

How to Apply

- a. Parents applying for CareGivers Training Grant for workshop, please complete registration form Annex A,
- b. Parents not applying for CareGivers Training Grant, please complete registration form Annex B, and send to the Dyslexia Association of Singapore.

Details also available on our website at **www.das.org.sg**.



Workshops

Dates:**1st Run**Session 1**4 April 2009, Saturday**Session 2**11 April 2009, Saturday****2nd Run**Session 1**26 Sep 2009, Saturday**Session 2**3 Oct 2009, Saturday****Duration:**

3 hours for each session

Time:

9.30 am – 12.30 pm

Venue:

Singapore Management University
School of Economics & Social Sciences
90 Stamford Road
S(178903)

Fee for both sessions:

SGD\$128.40

For enquiries, please contact the Training Dept at Tel: 6444 5700

Coping With Spelling



Your child's written work will come alive with his/her ideas only when he/she spells the words correctly. This is because spelling errors make it hard to read text. Join this workshop and learn how you can make spelling a less difficult task for your child. There will be *two sessions* for this workshop.

Session 1: Theory

- Why spelling is difficult for dyslexic learners
- Difference between phonetic and non-phonetic words
- Skills and knowledge needed to spell English words
- Underlying principles of spelling instruction for dyslexic learners

Session 2: Practical

- Strategies for spelling phonetic words
- Learning the closed, open and magic 'e' syllables
- Strategies for teaching the spelling of non-phonetic words
- Practice in identifying phonetic and non-phonetic words
- Practice in identifying closed, open and magic 'e' syllables
- Other strategies for building spelling skills

Funding Available

The CareGivers Training Grant is available only to parents with a child with disability (eg. dyslexia). **Closing date for the application of grant** for this workshop is 13 Mar 09 (1st run) and 4th Sep 09 (2nd run). **Ref: CTG035/08/09**

How to Apply

- a. Parents applying for CareGivers Training Grant for workshop, please complete registration form Annex A,
- b. Parents not applying for CareGivers Training Grant, please complete registration form Annex B, and send to the Dyslexia Association of Singapore.

Details also available on our website at www.das.org.sg.



Workshops

Teaching Cursive Penmanship

Dates:

4 April 2009, Saturday

Or

15 Aug 2009, Saturday

Duration:

3 hours

Time:

9.30 am – 12.30 pm

Venue:

Singapore Management University
School of Economics & Social Sciences
90 Stamford Road
S(178903)

Fees:

SGD\$64.20

For enquiries, please contact the Training Dept at Tel: 6444 5700

Did you know that penmanship skills reinforce reading and spelling skills and in the long-term improves the ability to write neatly and spell accurately at a fast and efficient speed?



Children sometimes become confused with print where so many letters look alike - such as b, d, f, t, g, q and p - and make many unnecessary reading errors. In cursive writing, children do not confuse 'b' and 'd', because the movements of the hand make it impossible to confuse the two letters. And this knowledge acquired by the hand is transferred to the reading process. Thus, learning to write cursive helps learning to read print. While the letters join with one another in sequence, the blending of the sounds is made more apparent by the joining of the letters.

This workshop will equip participants with the skills to teach their children handwriting skills in a multi-sensory and structured manner in which the child will use all his senses. It will also discuss how you can transform drawing skills to writing skills and how you can develop a cursive penmanship environment at home and school.

Who Should Attend?

This is a skills based course, and is open to both **parents and educators**.

Funding Available

The CareGivers Training Grant is available only to parents with a child with disability (eg. dyslexia). **Closing date for the application of grant** for this workshop is 14 Mar 09 (for 1st run) and 24 Jul 09 (for 2nd run).

Ref: CTG030/08/09

How to Apply

Complete the registration form and send to the Dyslexia Association of Singapore.



Workshops

Dates:
25 April 2009, Saturday

Duration:
3 hours

Time:
9.30 am – 12.30 pm

Venue:
Singapore Management
University
School of Economics &
Social Sciences
90 Stamford Road
S(178903)

Fee:
SGD\$64.20

For enquiries, please
contact the Training Dept
at Tel: 6444 5700



Paired Reading And Thinking Skills

Parents play an important role in cultivating good reading habits at home and supporting their children to read with enthusiasm and confidence. This workshop is designed for parents with young children or early readers who wish to help their child read fluently.

In this session, parents will be taught how to use the paired reading approach at home, together with effective questioning techniques to encourage and improve the child's thinking and comprehending skills. They will also be introduced to other practical reading strategies and language activities. Parents are required to bring along story books that they would read with their child.

Funding Available

The CareGivers Training Grant is available only to parents with a child with disability (eg. dyslexia). **Closing date for the application of grant** for this workshop is 3 April 09. **Ref: CTG031/08/09**

How to Apply

- Parents applying for CareGivers Training Grant for workshop, please complete registration form Annex A,
- Parents not applying for CareGivers Training Grant, please complete registration form Annex B, and send to the Dyslexia Association of Singapore.

Details also available on our website at **www.das.org.sg**

Information on Caregivers Training Grant

This is a grant to support caregivers of persons with disability (PWD) in attending training, seminars and workshops related to caregiving in order to equip them with relevant knowledge and skills and help them better cope with the challenges of caregiving.

Eligibility

To be eligible for the Caregivers Training Grant (CTG), the caregiver must:

- i. Be looking after a PWD¹ who is a Singapore Citizen or Permanent Resident
- ii. Be the main caregiver² of the PWD
- iii. Attend a training course/courses pre-approved for the purpose of this Training Grant
- iv. Complete the training course and receive the Certificate of Attendance

Mode and Quantum of Grant

1. The main caregiver of each PWD can receive training subsidies of up to \$200 per year from the CTG.
2. If more than one caregiver of the same PWD attends the same training, only one caregiver will receive the subsidy from the CTG.
3. A few caregivers per family can attend different training courses in a year but the claim per family (tied to the PWD) will be up to \$200 in total.
4. Grant of \$200 has to be utilised within the financial year (Apr-Mar).
5. Caregivers must attend training courses that are pre-approved for the purpose of the grant and will receive the CTG in the form of training fee subsidies³. For courses with fees less than \$200, caregivers will not need to make any payment.

Application Procedures (for caregivers)

1. Caregivers can obtain the application form from:

- DAS website at www.das.org.sg
- Any of the DAS Learning Centres⁴

2. Decide on the training course/seminar/workshop to attend. Complete the application form and submit to the training provider, which will be conducting the course. Verification is required from the VWO if the person with disability is receiving service/member of a VWO. Otherwise, a doctor's certification is required stating the nature of disability.

3. Application forms for the grant must be submitted to the relevant Training Provider **at least 3 weeks** prior to the commencement of the training.

4. The training provider will inform the applicant of the outcome of the application after the grant has been approved.

¹ The applicant must show that the PWD is receiving service from / affiliated to a VWO or produce a doctor's certification indicating the disability of the dependent.

² The caregiver could be a family member or foreign domestic worker and only one caregiver per PWD is subsidised for the course

³ Non-attendance will disqualify caregivers from using the Caregiver's Grant for future courses.

⁴ DAS Learning Centres:

Ang Mo Kio Learning Centre, Anderson Pri Sch, 19 Ang Mo Kio Ave 9 (569785)

Bedok Learning Centre, Fengshan Pri Sch, 307 Bedok North Road (469680)

Bishan Learning Centre, Bishan Junction 8, 9 Bishan Place #06-03 (579837)

Queenstown Learning Centre, Queenstown Pri Sch, 310 Margaret Drive (149303)

Woodlands Learning Centre, Blk 165, Woodlands St 13, #01-567 (730165)

Tampines Learning Centre, Blk 424, Tampines St 41, #01-188 (520424)

Jurong Learning Centre, 1 Jurong West Central 2, #05-01 Jurong Point Shopping Centre (648889)

Registration Form Workshops for Parents

(Only if applying for CareGivers Training Grant)



Caregiver Training Grant (for Caregivers of Persons with Disability) APPLICATION FORM

SECTION A: TO BE FILLED IN BY APPLICANT

I PARTICULARS OF APPLICANT

Name: _____

Citizenship: _____ Passport /NRIC No /Birth Cert. No.: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____ Sex: M/F Contact No(s): _____

Address: _____

_____ Singapore ()

II PARTICULARS OF PERSON WITH DISABILITY (PWD)

Name: _____

Passport /NRIC No /Birth Cert. No.: _____ Age: _____ Sex: M/F

Contact No(s): _____ Relationship with Applicant (Caregiver): _____

Address (if different from applicant's): _____

_____ Singapore ()

Type of Disability:

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple disability | <input type="checkbox"/> Intellectual |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Physical | <input type="checkbox"/> Autism |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing Impairment | <input type="checkbox"/> Others (Pls specify: _____) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Impairment | |

Member of/receiving service from any VWO?

Yes (Please complete Section B)

No (Please submit a copy of the doctor's certification stating the nature of disability)

III DETAILS OF TRAINING COURSE

1. Name of Training Provider: **Dyslexia Association of Singapore**
2. Name of Training Course/Programme: _____
3. Reference No.: PA _____ /CG _____ / _____
4. Date of Training: From _____ to _____
5. Course Fees (*incl. GST*): _____

I declare that the particulars stated above and the accompanying information are true and that I have disclosed all necessary information relevant to the application.

Name and Signature of Applicant/Caregiver

Date

SECTION B: VERIFICATION BY VWO

This is to certify that _____ NRIC No. _____

is a member of /receiving service/attending programme at _____
_____ (Name of VWO).

Verified by:

Name, Designation & Signature of VWO Organisation
Stamp Representative

Date

Official Use Only:

Approved *Not Approved*

Amount of Subsidy Approved: \$ _____



Registration Form

For all Courses and Workshops

Your Particulars (Please fill in all fields)

Name (Dr/Mr/Mrs/Ms): _____

NRIC No.: _____ Occupation: _____

Organisation/School/Individual: _____

Address: _____ S (_____)

Home: _____ Mobile: _____ Office: _____

Email: _____

Are you a DAS Parent? Yes / No Child's name: _____

Child's Learning Centre: AMK / BJ8 / BDK / JPT / QTN / WDL / TPN

Educational Qualification: 'O' Levels 'A' Levels Diploma Graduate Post-Graduate Others

Qualification Title: _____

Mode of payment: Cash Nets Invoice Cheque:

Date	Name of Workshop	Published Fee
Total		

Enclosed is a cheque Bank/Cheque No: _____ made payable to the
"Dyslexia Association of Singapore" for the amount of \$_____.

I confirm that I have read and understood the terms and conditions stated below.

 Signature of Applicant

 Date

<p><u>How to Register</u></p> <p>Please send your registration form and cheque payment payable to "Dyslexia Association of Singapore" to:</p> <p>The Training Department Dyslexia Centre 1 Jurong West Central 2 #05-01, Jurong Point Shopping Centre, Singapore 648886</p> <p>Alternatively, you can hand over your completed registrations form together with your cash or cheque payment at any DAS Centre. Payment via NETS is also available at all DAS centres. For your protection, please do not send cash through the mail.</p>	<p><u>Terms & Conditions</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please enrol early to avoid disappointment. Applications received after seats are filled will be notified by email. 2. All course dates are correct at the time of print. The DAS reserves the right to cancel or make any change to the courses as it deems necessary. 3. No cancellation or refunds upon confirmation. 4. Should the courses be cancelled by DAS, a full refund will be made. 5. Charges will be imposed for reprinting of certificate. 6. All fees inclusive of 7% GST.
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Date: _____	Received by: _____	