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## Structured Literacy Overview

### What is Structured Literacy?

Structured Literacy instruction is the umbrella term used by the International Dyslexia Association to unify and encompass evidence-based programs and approaches that are aligned to the Knowledge and Practice Standards and are effective for students identified with SLD/Dyslexia. This approach is beneficial for all children learning to read but is essential for students with Dyslexia.

### Key Presenting Points

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#### How to teach using an effective Structured Literacy Program

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#### Descriptions of and understanding the warning signs of dyslexia

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#### Teaching Strategies for struggling readers

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#### Phonemic Awareness

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#### Effective Lessons and Instruction

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### MEET THE INSTRUCTOR: KATHY JOHNSON

Kathy Johnson is a Dyslexia Practitioner and the owner of Simplistic Solutions. Kathy has over 20 years of experience as a teacher working in both private and general education. Kathy is certified and experienced in the use of multiple Orton Gillingham based programs including Orton Gillingham, Project Read, AZ-Reading Instruction, Barton Reading & Spelling System, Wilson Language, and LiPS which are all consistent with International Dyslexia Association's knowledge and Practice Standards. She is a Certified Dyslexia Advocate, effectively working with families and school districts to ensure the laws are respected and that children are receiving appropriate services they need. She has also been trained in VoWac , Handwriting Without Tears, and Discipline With Purpose. Kathy is President of the Nebraska Dyslexia Association and a provider with the International Dyslexia Association.

