

VARIETY SHINE INTENSIVE PROGRAM

JANUARY 2020



Language Program (Morphemes, Grammar, Syntax & Metalinguistic skills)

4+ Years

This program is for children who have a language impairment or language disorder. Children from a non-English speaking background may also find this program useful. For younger children these programs work on receptive skills of listening and following instructions, understanding basic communication, increasing understanding and use of vocabulary, learning the 14 grammatical morphemes of English (e.g. prepositions, plurals, pronouns, verbs and verb tenses, noun-verb agreement, irregulars), understanding and use of WH-questions, embedding, conjoining, compound and complex sentences.

For older or more advanced children, these programs work on understanding figurative language (e.g. multiple meaning words, similes and metaphors, idioms, proverbs, jokes and riddles, clichés and slang) and understanding inferences. There is also an emphasis on teaching good organisation skills, study habits, critical listening skills, note taking, understanding the main idea, dealing with homework.

RUNS AS

This program is individualised for each student.

REQUIREMENTS

For this program we need documentation of the actual Language Difficulty. The CELF Test is mostly used in schools, but it only tells us if your child has a "language problem or not". It does NOT tell us what the nature of the problem is or what area of language should be worked on. Thus, we need a proper receptive test of language (vocabulary, morphemes, and sentence structures) comprehension and an expressive language (an appropriate language sample or conversational sample) or expressive test like the Test of Narrative Language-Oral Samples. We also often assess older children for their knowledge of metalinguistic skills and strategies. If you do not have this information, we will do this testing over the first two days of the program.

TEAM

Speech-Language Interventionists.

To see more about our **eligibility criteria**, please visit the [Variety SHINE Intensive Program Eligibility Page](#).

For further information please visit the [Variety SHINE Intensive Program 2020 Application Form](#).