

VARIETY SHINE INTENSIVE PROGRAM

JANUARY 2020



Writing Program

7+ Years

This program is aimed at helping children who have difficulty writing. Each child's program is set up individually. The goals will vary for each child. Some of the goals might be to; increase fine motor skills, hold the pencil properly, writing letters and words neatly, using appropriate spacing, generating good ideas to write about, organising your ideas, selecting the best words to use, using a range of grammatical structures and use of sentence fluency, and use of writing conventions (caps vs small, punctuation, & proper spelling). These programs may also work on text types like recounts, information reports, exposition, explanation, description, procedure, discussion, response, or narrative writing.

These programs may also entail the use of keyboarding, use of computers, and alternative writing programs for using speech to text for writing.

We often use Writing Without Tears and similar programs as the base.

RUNS AS

This program is offered individually but may entail some group work.

REQUIREMENTS

NAPLAN results or writing samples from school would be useful here. However, assessments for this area are often completed by the Occupational Therapists and the Speech-Language Pathologists. Assessments often take the form of eliciting a writing sample from a child. This might take a few hours on the first day or two of the program.

TEAM

This program is offered by Occupational Therapists, Speech-Language Interventionists, and Specialist Educators.

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](#).