

TESTIMONIALS

SPELD NZ has been transforming lives for more than 40 years:

“SPELD helped me during my primary schooling in Tokoroa, as I suffered from having difficulties with reading, comprehension and writing. Currently I am a geotechnical technician, working towards becoming an engineering geologist. Without the initial support of SPELD however, I don't think I would have achieved as much as I have in recent years and potentially in the years to come. SPELD brings the opportunity to be the best you can and that opportunity lasts a lifetime.”

Andrew J

Here's what parents have to say about the changes in their children:

My son had a lot of trouble at primary, intermediate and college with his spelling, handwriting and telling the time. We tried many things and nothing helped him until we started with SPELD. The assessment showed he was dyslexic and dysgraphic and he started straight away with a teacher, once a week for one hour. He turned into a happy, achieving student within a month and is now finishing a Bachelor of Science at Auckland University. SPELD was a fantastic help to our family and I recommend it to adults and children – they really are the experts in this field.

Kathie E

Before my daughter started with SPELD tutoring, she was highly anxious about school work, hated reading and could not retain spelling words or multiplication and division equations. She has been tutored for one and a half years, during school terms. Among many of my daughter's achievements are such things as liking reading chapter books, accurately recalling maths equations, and her teacher has been impressed with her improvement of spelling and writing. My daughter is noticeably more relaxed about school which she admits is due to her SPELD tutoring.

M Hay

My son was struggling at school despite interventions that had been put in place such as Reading Recovery and Rainbow Reading. He didn't want to go to school and his self-esteem was at an all-time low. A friend of mine suggested we approach SPELD. We had him assessed and discovered he was dyslexic. It was such a relief to finally have some concrete evidence and know what we were dealing with. They referred us to a SPELD teacher who worked with him for two and half years. She was amazing and gave him the skills and self-belief to not only survive at school but to thrive. He is a different child now. Gone are the days when he would refuse to come out from beneath the bed covers in the mornings! He is now a motivated, hard-working Year 9 student whose latest exam results blew us away. I credit SPELD with saving my son and although he no longer needs a tutor I know that should any problems arise they are only a phone call away. I highly endorse SPELD - it is a fantastic investment in your child's future.

Jenny W

His tutor has huge warmth and a great connection with him. It's really important kids want to learn and he responds to her which is huge. She takes the panic away for him and very calmly says “here's a way you can do that”. She's able to push him to the limit of where he can go.

Darren N

Here's what one of our adult students says about SPELD NZ:

I went around all the outfits that help with spelling and chose SPELD because they do their research. They're aware of upcoming education and they're aware that dyslexia is a brain function issue, not a psychological thing. They know that we think and function differently to 90 percent of the population. My tutor was absolutely lovely. She would go along with what I found easiest and was flexible enough to work the magic with that. We all learn in different ways. Being client centred is really important.

I had carefully tailored my life to avoid situations where I had to demonstrate reading and writing. I couldn't even fill in a boarding pass. I just couldn't understand what things meant. Now I'm so much more confident. My horizons are much broader. It's a wonderful, rewarding and enriching thing to be able to communicate with written word, particularly in our world of computerisation.

Russell C

