

# Supporting Children with Unclear Speech



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A specialist course for those of you working with children and young people who need help to develop clear speech. It is suitable for those of you working in mainstream, special schools and specialist units to empower you to improve the clarity of children's speech.



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This course is for those of you who are working with children and young people whose speech is unclear. Following a SaLT assessment (Elklan can provide this for you on-line), then you will be guided through the implementation of a speech programme with the pupil. Our online resource, Sound Builders, provides you with step by step guidance to facilitate this which you can also share with families.

We offer both face-to-face and online training. Both cover the same superb content and are taught by our experienced Elklan Tutors using interactive teaching methods, practical activities, videos and group discussions.

#### What does this course teach?

#### 1. How speech develops & how to support children with Unclear Speech

- Understand how speech sounds are articulated
- Explore the range of speech difficulties
- Understand the processes involved in saying words
- General strategies to support a child with unclear speech
- How a speech and language therapist assesses a child and determines a therapy programme.

## 2. How to introduce a structured approach to support children with Unclear Speech

- Explore a typical speech and language therapy programme. This takes you
  through the different stages of supporting a child when articulating and using a
  new sound
- Time, usually 3 months, will be given to allow you to implement a programme with a child.

#### 3. Evaluating the effectiveness of the programme

- Discuss the implementation of the programme
- Share solutions to problems you have experienced.
- An excellent course, I can't believe how much I have learnt and the progress the child made! I would thoroughly recommend this course to anybody who is working with children with speech difficulties.

