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LEARNING SPACE



An Academic Support Company



A MESSAGE FROM RUTH RUMACK

Welcome to Ruth Rumack's Learning Space!

When I began supporting students at my kitchen table in 1996, I never imagined my path would lead to this. Together with a team of talented, certified teachers who share my passion for innovative education, we have built a learning space that helps every student, including those with learning differences, achieve success.

We strongly believe that the power to teach and motivate students to succeed academically starts with acknowledging their individuality, which is why all of our programs are tailored to each student's learning style and offered in 1-to-1 or small group formats.

We also know how important it is to build strong relationships with parents and educational professionals. We encourage you to sign up for our mailing list, follow us on social media, and be a part of our events and workshops.

When we all work together, we can achieve great things. I am proud to be a part of this student-focused community, and I hope you will be too.

Happy learning,

Executive Director of Education

Ruth Rumack is the Founder and Executive Director of Education of Ruth Rumack's Learning Space (RRLS), a Toronto-based academic support centre founded in 1996. As a recognized educational expert, Ruth is regularly featured on Breakfast Television, CBC, and other media channels discussing literacy and other educational topics.

Ruth holds an Honours Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, a Bachelor of Education from York University, and is a member of the Learning Disabilities Association of Ontario.

Ruth Rumack's Learning Space (RRLS) innovates educational support with a combination of highly individualized teaching, research-based programs, multisensory activities, assistive technologies, and executive functioning training in a fun and nurturing environment.

No matter the goal or challenge, RRLS Learning Specialists can help students from preschool through university build self-confidence and reach their full academic potential.

OUR COMMITMENT

WARMTH

To provide a warm and caring environment where students feel comfortable opening up, asking questions, and expanding their knowledge

CONFIDENCE

To build academic confidence in our students through coaching and advocacy

LONG-TERM VISION

To teach with long-term vision, focusing on content, skills, and strategies that will have a long-lasting effect on each individual student

GUIDANCE

To guide parents and students through the education system to maximize academic success

EXPERTISE

To maintain an expert and qualified team of educators who use their abilities and knowledge to best support our students

EFFICIENCY

To work efficiently with our families' time and resources to achieve their goals.



OUR LEARNING SPECIALISTS

We have built a full-time team of passionate educators who are:

- ✓ Ontario certified (OCT)
- ✓ Well-versed in Direct Instruction and have Orton-Gillingham training
- ✓ Caring, warm, and invested in student success
- ✓ Experienced in working together with students and their support network to ensure a cohesive strategy is in place
- ✓ Knowledgeable about the private school and university admission processes

In addition, RRLS Learning Specialists create original programming and resources to address learning needs and challenges, and to creatively appeal to various learning styles.

OUR LOCATIONS

DOWNTOWN

MIDTOWN

- ✓ Multiple private classrooms for 1-to-1 lessons
- ✓ Large classrooms for kinesthetic activities, group classes, and workshops
- ✓ Fun and nurturing environment





1-TO-1 SUPPORT

Lessons in a 1-to-1 format are highly individualized and designed to help students who require Direct Instruction and a systematic approach to the learning process.

Every new student is matched with a certified teacher according to personality and educational needs. An Academic Plan of Action (APA) is prepared to address individual objectives. Lessons are tailored to appeal to the student's learning style.



HIGHLIGHTS

DIRECT INSTRUCTION (DI)

A systematic approach to the learning process that incorporates Orton-Gillingham principles and research-based programs such as Reading Mastery™ and Wilson Reading System®

REMEDICATION & ENRICHMENT

Personalized lessons that incorporate multimodal learning methods not found in traditional classrooms and that help students reach or surpass expectations

MULTISENSORY & KINESTHETIC

Dynamic, visual, auditory, and tactile teaching methods which serve a dual purpose: creating neural connections necessary for long-lasting learning while keeping students active and engaged

EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONING

Concrete strategies and tools to strengthen cognitive processes such as memory, attention, planning, organization, emotional regulation, and self-monitoring

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY

Training in tools and apps that help foster learning independence in students with or without learning exceptionalities

COHESIVE SUPPORT

Learning Specialists maintain frequent communication with families and collaborate with the student's classroom teachers and professional support team to ensure a cohesive strategy is in place



PATH TO SUCCESS WITH 1-TO-1 SUPPORT



Assessment

Student is assessed to identify strengths, challenges, and needs



Student Matched with Learning Specialist

Student is matched with a Learning Specialist according to personality, individual needs, and overall "right fit"



Academic Plan of Action (APA)

The Associate Director of Education and Learning Specialist design an individualized APA for long-term success.



360° Team Strategy

Learning Specialist coordinates a cohesive strategy with the student's classroom teacher and professional support team



Ongoing Communication

Learning Specialist maintains frequent communication with the student's parents in person, by phone or email



Detailed Progress Reports

Comprehensive progress reports are sent throughout the year detailing successes, further areas of need, and next steps



Support at Home

Learning Specialist provides suggestions for parents to further educational goals at home



SUCCESS!

LEARNING EXCEPTIONALITIES WE SUPPORT

We are experts in supporting students with learning exceptionalities through 1-to-1 Direct Instruction, research-based programs, assistive technologies, executive functioning training, and multisensory teaching.

Our Learning Specialists take direction from the recommendations provided in psycho-educational assessments (or other professional assessments) to create personalized lesson plans that appeal to various learning styles and needs.



- ADHD**
- Auditory Processing Disorder**
- Autism Spectrum Disorder**
- Dyscalculia**
- Dysgraphia**
- Dyslexia**
- Dyspraxia**
- Executive Functioning Challenges**
- General Anxiety Disorder**
- Giftedness**
- Language Processing Disorder**
- Memory Challenges**
- Mild Intellectual Disability**
- Non-verbal LDs**
- Visual Perceptual & Visual Motor Deficit**

SUBJECTS AND SKILLS WE SUPPORT



Reading & Direct Instruction (DI)

- ✓ Literacy skills: phonological awareness, phonemes and spelling patterns, reading fluency, and reading comprehension
- ✓ Orton-Gillingham principles
- ✓ DI programs: Reading Mastery™, Wilson Reading System®



Written Expression

- ✓ Tools and strategies to master the writing process
- ✓ Writing programs: Power Sentences™, Power Paragraphs™, Power Essays™ (Opinion Essay, Literary Essay, Research Essay)



Math & Science

- ✓ Concepts are broken down into manageable pieces to overcome frustration and build self-confidence and skills
- ✓ Use of memory aids and strategies developed by RRLS Learning Specialists
- ✓ Use of manipulatives to make abstract concepts concrete



Handwriting Printing & Cursive

- ✓ Graphomotor skills and automaticity
- ✓ Note-taking and retention strategies
- ✓ Handwriting programs: Handwriting Without Tears™ & Power Pencils™



Assistive Technology

- ✓ Training in the latest technologies to aid independent learning
- ✓ Technologies used: text-to-speech, voice typing, organization apps, PC and Mac built-in features, etc.



Time Management & Organization

- ✓ Practical strategies to develop executive functioning skills: time management, planning, organization, self-regulation, and more

GROUP CLASSES

Group classes are researched, developed, and taught by our own team of certified teachers with specialized knowledge in the programming area.



HIGHLIGHTS

STRATEGIC SKILLS

RRLS group classes focus on developing and improving the foundational skills necessary to succeed academically

MULTISENSORY & DYNAMIC

All group classes are designed to keep students engaged and active, ensuring maximum learning

DYNAMIC & FUN ENVIRONMENT

RRLS creates a nurturing and fun environment wherever we host a class - whether at our locations or off-site

SMALL CLASS SIZES

Small class sizes allow students to receive the best of both worlds: cooperative learning through group activities and games, as well as individualized instruction and attention

DIRECT INSTRUCTION PEDAGOGY

All programs are taught using a direct instruction pedagogy — a highly effective instructional approach involving the explicit teaching of concepts in a strategic and systematic manner

OUR GROUP CLASSES



KEYBOARDING

QWERTY™
Grades 3 - 6

QWERTY Plus™
Grades 7 - 12



WRITTEN EXPRESSION

Power Sentences™
Grades 2 - 4

Opinion Essays
Grades 6 - 9

Power Paragraphs™
Grades 3 - 5

Research Essays
Grades 9 - 12



HANDWRITING

Power Pencils Printing™
Grades JK - 2

Power Pencils Cursive™
Grades 3 - 6



EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONING

Power Planners™
Grades 7 - 12

On It!™
Grades 7 - 12



CRITICAL THINKING & INNOVATION

Creative Coding
Grades 3 - 6

HOST A CLASS

Contact us to organize a class at one of our locations or in your school/ neighbourhood!

TEST PREPARATION

Both 1-to-1 and small group Test Prep classes are designed to minimize test anxiety while maximizing performance and self-confidence. Lessons follow direct instruction pedagogy and are tailored to individual learning styles.



HIGHLIGHTS

DIRECT INSTRUCTION PEDAGOGY

Individualized lesson plans combine strategic content with explicit instruction and teaching to mastery

DIAGNOSTIC TESTS & FOLLOW-UP CONSULTATIONS

Student assessments inform our lesson planning and a detailed breakdown of the results helps students and families understand what preparation is needed

PRACTICE TESTS & HOMEWORK

Ongoing testing determines progress and personalized homework reinforces concepts at home

TEACHER EXPERTISE

Teachers are caring, engaging, and have several years of experience preparing students for the standardized tests we support

EXCLUSIVE MATERIALS

Students prepare with exclusive material developed by RRLS, including an Amazon best-selling SSAT workbook and an SAT study guide



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TESTS WE SUPPORT

MIDDLE SCHOOL LEVEL

- ✓ SSAT - Middle Level
- ✓ Private School Tests
- ✓ Admissions Interview Prep

HIGH SCHOOL LEVEL

- ✓ SSAT - Upper Level
- ✓ PSAT
- ✓ SAT
- ✓ ACT

POST-SECONDARY LEVEL

- ✓ LSAT
- ✓ GRE

WORKSHOPS

We develop and host relevant workshops for parents and educational professionals. Presented by guest speakers from renowned educational institutions or RRLS Learning Specialists, our workshops provide important information to better support students at home, in the classroom, and beyond.



EXAMPLES OF OUR WORKSHOPS

FOR PARENTS

- ✓ You've Got a Psych-Ed, Now What?
- ✓ Helping Students Cope With Anxiety
- ✓ Raising a Reader: Developing Phonological Awareness Skills
- ✓ Social Media Safety
- ✓ Executive Functioning in Students with ADHD and LDs
- ✓ Overcoming Math Phobia

FOR EDUCATIONAL PROFESSIONALS

- ✓ Assistive Technologies for Independent Learning
- ✓ Direct Instruction in Practice
- ✓ Phonological Awareness: Teaching Strategies for SLPs

Contact us to
book a workshop
at your location!

RUMACK RESOURCES

Rumack Resources® is our publishing division through which educational resources developed by RRLS Learning Specialists are made available for purchase.

TITLES AVAILABLE

Phonological Awareness



Alpha-Mania Adventures™

Storybooks that practice five phonological awareness skills: rhyming, blending, alliteration, segmenting, and sound manipulation.

Phonics



The Yak Pack: Comics & Phonics™

Phonics readers in a fun, comic style.

- Book 1: Short Vowels
- Book 2: Digraphs
- Book 3: Blends
- Book 4: Bossy E

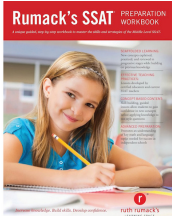
Sight Words



The Yak Pack: Sight Word Comics™

Stories to teach sight words.

- Book 1: Words 1 - 20
- Book 2: Words 21 - 40
- Book 3: Words 41 - 60
- Book 4: Words 61 - 80
- Book 5: Words 81 - 100



SSAT Prep

Rumack's SSAT Preparation Workbook

Comprehensive study guide and practice questions to master the Middle Level SSAT.

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SOON!**

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