



**Keys to  
Literacy**

# Keys to Adolescent Literacy Session H: Supporting Adolescents with Literacy Difficulties

## Live Virtual Professional Development

**Virtual-Live Format:** The Keys trainer will use Zoom video conferencing to deliver this training in an interactive format using features such as breakout rooms and chat.

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**Grounded in more than 20 years of experience and the latest research on effective adolescent literacy instruction, *Keys to Adolescent Literacy* provides powerful professional learning designed to enhance student literacy achievement incorporating Joan Sedita's *The Essentials of Adolescent Literacy* book.**

Discover research-based strategies to identify and support struggling adolescent readers and writers and provide effective intervention instruction.

This session is especially valuable for intervention educators and literacy leaders working with students in grades 5–12 who struggle with reading and writing. Content-area teachers who have a significant number of students with literacy challenges may also find the session highly relevant. Participants explore the underlying reasons some students experience literacy difficulties and gain a deeper understanding of how dyslexia and executive function deficits contribute to these challenges, as well as the additional hurdles faced by many older English learners. The session includes a review of research-based intervention practices and offers practical strategies for improving vocabulary, comprehension, decoding, fluency, and writing skills.

### Session Topics Include:

- Overview of Adolescent Reading and Writing Difficulties
- Causes of Literacy Difficulty
- Supporting Struggling Learners in General Education
- Effective Interventions Instruction for Vocabulary
- Comprehension, Decoding, Fluency, and Writing
- Dyslexia
- Executive Functions
- English Learner Challenges

A copy of the *Essentials of Adolescent Literacy* training book is required for this session and is not included in the registration fee. The book can be purchased on the [Keys to Literacy website](#).

**Connecting This Session to Keys to Literacy's Comprehensive Professional Learning Suite:** This session can stand alone as an introduction to intervention for students with reading and writing difficulties. It complements and pairs well with Session G "Advanced Word Study and Fluency", and Session I "A Data-Driven Approach to Reading Intervention."

## Who Should Participate

This course is appropriate for classroom teachers in grades 5-12, special education and intervention educators, literacy coaches, and administrators—ensuring consistent literacy instruction across your district.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**DATES:** October 13, 2026

**COST:** \$95 plus \$39.95 book ([purchased separately](#))

**TIMES:** 8:30AM – 11:30AM Eastern Time

### TWO WAYS TO REGISTER...

*Online:* Complete the registration form and submit payment on our website: <http://keystoliteracy.com/events/>

*Mail:* Complete the registration form (next page) and submit with purchase order or check payment (payable to Keys to Literacy, LLC).

### ADDRESS TO SHIP BOOK

Please note that we will be mailing the training books to participants at their home address, so **we need your home mailing address on the registration form.**



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# Registration Form

(Each registrant must complete a registration form. Payment or P.O. must accompany form OR register online at <http://keystoliteracy.com/events/>.)

## SECTION 1: PARTICIPANT information

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ POSITION/TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

SUBJECT: \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_

DISTRICT/ORGANIZATION: \_\_\_\_\_ SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME MAILING ADDRESS to ship book: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ MOST USED EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

## SECTION 2: SESSION information

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#### QUESTIONS?

Contact Melissa Powers at  
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#### REFUND/CANCELLATION POLICY

- If you cancel **3 days or more prior** to training, you will be issued a **50% refund**.
- **No refunds** will be issued for "no shows" or cancellations within 72 hours of training.
- Substitutions accepted.

## SECTION 3: PAYMENT information

*Please include completed registration form with payment.*

check/money order enclosed  
(payable to Keys to Literacy)

purchase order # \_\_\_\_\_  
(if available)

#### Please mail to:

Keys to Literacy  
319 Newburyport Turnpike, Suite 205  
Rowley, MA 01969

**To pay with a credit card, please register online:**

<https://www.keystoliteracy.com/events/>

#### **CONFIRMATION**

Your registration will be confirmed by email. **PLEASE NOTE:** You are **not** registered unless you receive a confirmation email!