

# Rocket Phonics

**CPD** Training for schools

In partnership with Abigail Steel Training

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# An Introduction to Rocket Phonics CPD

Rocket Phonics uses a straightforward approach to create transformative results: steady pace, whole-class teaching and consistent daily practice. We expect and encourage teachers to make suitable adaptations; you know what is best for your learners. But generally, our schools report that they achieve the best results when they implement the Rocket Phonics pedagogy. It can be challenging to teach phonics in a different way which is why we recommend schools complete a minimum of 1-day of CPD training with Abigail Steel Training.

Our Get Started with Rocket Phonics 1-day course will provide a solid foundation for all staff ensuring they feel confident and knowledgeable in delivering our approach with impact. Ongoing professional development is also key to ongoing phonics success; we provide a range of additional courses to support different needs from teaching lower attainers to leadership development.

Jane Tyler, Director,
Pedagogical Design and Professional Development,
Hodder Education



#### **Core CPD**

#### **Get Started with Rocket Phonics**

1 day/4 hours • Online £980+VAT • In-person £1,260+VAT

The Get Started with Rocket Phonics training day is the perfect starting point for schools that are new to the programme. This 1-day course will provide teachers and leaders with the foundations for successful Rocket Phonics teaching covering:

- ✓ Subject knowledge
- ✓ Teaching in Practice
- ✓ Leadership
- ✓ Assessment

Get Started with Rocket
Phonics is also available for
alternative provision and
SEN schools at the same
price. This session will include SEN
Overview in addition to the topics
listed above.





## Additional CPD Courses

To ensure continued success with your phonics teaching, we provide a range of additional CPD courses. You can choose to build your own bespoke Rocket Phonics training package by combining these options or adding them onto the *Get Started with Rocket Phonics* 1-day course.

### Next steps with Rocket Phonics

1/2 day/2 hours • From £499+VAT • Online Only

Focus on delivering Rocket Phonics Next Steps with learners age 6+

#### B First Steps with Rocket Phonics

1/2 day/2 hours • From £499+VAT • Online Only

Focus on delivering Rocket Phonics First Steps with learners age 3-4.

#### Rocket Phonics Core Refresher

1/2 day/2 hours • From £499+VAT • Online Only

Revisit core content such as subject knowledge and teaching in practice.

## Rocket Phonics Implementation Day

1 day/4 hours • Online £980+VAT • In-person £1,260+VAT

Ensure successful implementation of Rocket Phonics at department/leadership level. The morning session will include a learning walk, feedback, teacher Q&A drop-in clinic. The afternoon will focus on leadership support in action covering planning, data and coaching.

#### Rocket Phonics for Teaching Assistants

1/2 day/2 hours • From £499+VAT • Online Only

Focusing on the role of teaching assistant and their part in interventions. Session will cover subject knowledge, teaching in practice and supporting groups and individuals.

## Rocket Phonics Leadership Development

 $\frac{1}{2}$  day/2 hours • From £499+VAT • Online Only

A one-to-one leadership development day looking at auditing, action planning, data, monitoring implementation and peer coaching.

1/2 day online only courses can be delivered in-person when multiple 1/2 day courses are combined.

### Supporting the lowest 20% with Rocket Phonics

 $\frac{1}{2}$  day/2 hours • From £499+VAT • Online Only

Learn about alternative phonics pathways, how to identify needs and improve skills in implementing intervention plans.

## Supporting SEN learners in mainstream schools with Rocket Phonics

 $\frac{1}{2}$  day/2 hours • From £499+VAT • Online Only

Learn how to support SEN learners and meet individual needs including able readers and writers. The session includes guidance on breaking phonics teaching, tracking and monitoring down into smaller steps.

### Rocket Phonics Deep Dive

1 day/4 hours • Online £980+VAT • In-person £1,260+VAT

A supportive review day that will follow a deep dive structure. Suitable for schools that are pre or post an Ofsted visit. A written report can be provided for an extra £200.





#### **NEW Pre-recorded online CPD**

#### **Rocket Phonics Video Training Course**

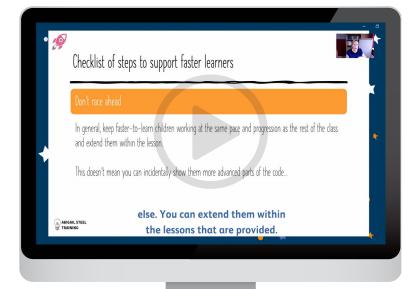
12 hours • £425+VAT for a 1-year subscription

Learn about systematic synthetic phonics (SSP) and how to implement Rocket Phonics with this online training course. This comprehensive package of pre-recorded videos provides 12 hours of CPD led by Rocket Phonics author Abigail Steel. Across 40 lessons, Abigail covers the essentials for delivering the programme successfully. If your school or a colleague is new to the programme, it's an ideal CPD resource for equipping staff with the right knowledge and skills. New videos will be added each year so it will also ensure ongoing professional development.

#### Topics covered:

- Rocket Phonics introduction including lesson structure and resource overview
- Phonics leadership
- Phonics subject knowledge
- Using reading books
- Term-by-term preparation
- Teaching in practice
- Rocket Phonics First Steps for age 3-4 (coming soon)
- Rocket Phonics Next Steps for age 6-7 (coming soon)





The training videos have been, and continue to be, an essential part of continuing professional development for staff working in the classrooms so that everyone is fully committed to the effective delivery of the programme.

Jane Davies, Head Teacher,
Boyne Hill C of E Infant and Nursery School

#### **Meet the Trainers**

In
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Training

Our team of experienced trainers bring a wealth of skills, insights and knowledge. They work closely with schools to understand specific needs and challenges drawing on their own teaching experiences to provide achievable support and guidance.



Abigail Steel, author of Rocket Phonics and leading language and literacy expert



Allie Williams, Phonics and Early Reading Lead



Amy Brook, Specialising in phonics and early reading



Bev Sace, Literacy Consultant



Clare Bristow, Rocket Phonics author and Reading Lead



Dominique Georgia Kelly, English, Phonics, and Reading Lead and SENCo



Emma Spiers, Early Learning Consultant, Trainer, Author, and Former Early Years Ofsted Inspector



Hilary Thompson, Phonics and Literacy Lead



Jacqueline Harris, Education Consultant and CPD Trainer



Julie Sargent, English Consultant



Louise Helen Waller, Specialist Leader in Education for English, including phonics, reading and writing



Ritu Bawa, CPD Trainer



Ruth Baker-Leask, School leader and education consultant



Sarah Jane Lomax, Phonics and Spelling Lead



Susie Spolander, Independent English Consultant

Rocket Phonics training can be delivered to schools across the world. Get in touch with our team to discuss the best options to suit your needs.

#### School Testimonials \*

"The training was great. Abigail has already got me thinking about the starting points and how we narrow this epic gap between where we need the children to be and where they currently are! I can't wait to get going with the Rocket Phonics programme in September."

Sam Bailey, Executive Principal, Wellspring Academy Trust

"We found the training very good. I like the way Abi links key parts of theory and historical context to best practice but all in an easy to understand manner. This makes it easily accessible to all levels of staff in school. She prompts self-reflection and suggests links to further CPD for those who may want to delve deeper. Potential barriers to delivery and learning are clearly addressed and it has given me lots of phrases that will help make us Ofsted ready!"

Abi Quinn, SENDCo, Boyne C of E Infant and Nursery school

"We're delighted at Bradshaw Hall that in closely following the Rocket Phonics programme and training over the last year, we have had excellent progress in KS1 this year and our Ofsted IDSR shows that we have progressed from the 3rd quintile (2019) to the 1st quintile this year putting us "significantly above national and in the highest 20% of all schools in 2022" (Ofsted IDSR, 2022)" (Ofsted IDSR 2022)"

Simon Downes, Deputy Headteacher, Bradshaw Hall Primary School





"Everybody thoroughly enjoyed the sessions and it has boosted their confidence in teaching phonics. The training has brought up questions for us to discuss as a staff to ensure that there is consistency in approaches used across the school"

St Christopher's RC Primary and Nursery School

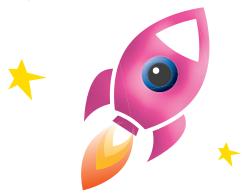
### **FAQs**

## Can we arrange Rocket Phonics training for our Trust or Hub?

Sure, we can arrange Rocket Phonics training for one school, several from the same multi-academy trust or for an English Hub.

## Do we pay for the training before it takes place?

We don't ask for payment until after you have received your training, however we offer a variety of payment options that can be tailored to your specific needs.



## Do we get access to the recording of a virtual CPD session?

After your session, you will receive a link to the recording of the session which will be live for 6 months.

### Is every CPD session available in-person?

Half-day sessions are only available online. However, if you choose to combine half-day sessions to create a full day session, this could be delivered in-person.

#### My school is based outside of the UK. Can we still book CPD training?

Yes! All our CPD options can be delivered online to anywhere in the world.

#### I want CPD which isn't listed in this brochure. Can you create something bespoke for my school?

Absolutely! Our team of experienced trainers can work with you to identify your specific needs and create a programme that is tailored to your school's goals and objectives.

## Should we provide the trainer with lunch during a full CPD day?

It's not a requirement to provide lunch for your trainer. However, if your school can provide lunch, it would be appreciated. After all, a well-fed trainer is a happy trainer! If lunch is not possible, a cup of tea or coffee is usually welcomed!

#### How to book

We understand that every school has different requirements. So, our CPD team are here to help you book the right package for your school.



Make an enquiry by scanning the QR code or alternatively, find us at:









## More Rocket Phonics support



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Our friendly team are here to help with information, advice and orders.



#### facebook.com/groups/rpteachersgroup

Join the Rocket Phonics Facebook Group where you can post questions, share ideas and learn about Rocket Phonics news and updates.



#### youtube.com/@hoddereducation

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