

# 'Grammar Basics' Workshop

## 4 hours

### Course Outline

#### **Description:**

Learn to master the English language. This course shows you how to apply the basic rules of grammar and punctuation to improve your writing. Learn about Parts of Speech, sentence structure, spelling rules and punctuation. This one day course is essential for anyone who needs to be accurate in written communication. Practise your grammar skills to help your children with Naplan testing.

#### **Content**

##### Introduction:

- Ice breaker / 'get to know you' activities
- Brief history / overview of the English language
- Why English can be so difficult to master

##### Parts of Speech:

- Nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs, pronouns, prepositions, conjunctions, interjections, articles

##### Sentence Structure:

- How the parts of speech fit together to form sentences
- Brief discussion of the 4 types of sentences: simple, compound, complex, compound-complex

##### Spelling:

- Why spelling in English causes so much grief
- Fundamentals of spelling, with rules and examples

##### Punctuation:

- Brief overview of how punctuation is used
- Focus on common problem areas: comma, colon, semicolon, apostrophe, speech marks