

Dr. V.S. Gayathri

Certified Dyslexia Teacher | Orton-Gillingham Specialist | 2,500+ Hours of Practice

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Certified Dyslexia Teacher and Orton-Gillingham trained literacy specialist with **2,500+ hours** of direct one-on-one intervention experience. A dental surgeon by first profession with nearly 12 years of clinical practice, Dr. Gayathri transitioned into special education driven by a deep interest in cognitive development and child behaviour. She holds postgraduate qualifications in Counselling and Psychotherapy, Special Education, and **Multisensory Structured Language Therapy**, and currently serves families across **India, the UAE, Oman, Singapore, and Australia** through personalised online intervention sessions.

Her instruction is systematic, explicit, multisensory, and diagnostic, with a clear focus on measurable progress and restored confidence. Each intervention plan is individualised to the child's unique language processing profile.

KEY CREDENTIALS

2,500+	Hours of 1:1 structured literacy intervention with children
7 Years	Dedicated practice in dyslexia remediation and learning support
5 Countries	Families served across India, UAE, Oman, Singapore & Australia
Grades 1-3	Focused on early intervention during the critical reading window
OG Certified	Orton-Gillingham trained, the international gold standard for dyslexia

APPROACH & METHODOLOGY

All instruction follows the **Orton-Gillingham (OG) approach**, an internationally recognised, evidence-based methodology specifically designed for individuals with dyslexia and language-based learning differences. The OG approach is:

- **Structured & Sequential** : skills are taught in a logical, cumulative order
- **Explicit & Direct** : nothing is left to guesswork; every concept is taught directly
- **Multisensory** : engages visual, auditory, and kinesthetic pathways simultaneously
- **Diagnostic & Prescriptive** : continuously assessed and adapted to the child's response
- **Individualised** : each plan is customised to the child's specific needs and pace

WHO I WORK BEST WITH

- Children who know some letters but struggle to read simple words
- Children who guess words instead of decoding them phonetically
- Children who struggle to spell simple words despite repeated practice
- Children who feel frustrated or have lost confidence in reading
- Children diagnosed with dyslexia or showing early signs of learning difficulty

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Founder & Lead Dyslexia Teacher

Flourishing Kids Learning Centre

May 2019 - Present | Online (Global)

- Provide **1:1 structured literacy intervention** for children in Grades 1-3 with dyslexia and reading/spelling difficulties, using the Orton-Gillingham approach.
- Deliver interactive, multisensory online lessons tailored to each child's unique language processing profile.

- Completed **2,500+ hours** of direct one-on-one intervention sessions with children across multiple countries.
- Design individualised remediation plans that are systematic, explicit, and diagnostic, tracking measurable progress at every stage.
- Serve families across India, the UAE, Oman, Singapore, and Australia, working across time zones via secure online platforms.
- Conduct parent orientation sessions to equip families with strategies to support structured literacy practice at home.

Co-Founder

Lumio Academy, Chennai
January 2018 - May 2019

Brought together the best professionals to deliver organised lectures, workshops, and bootcamps featuring state-of-the-art techniques, expert-led instruction, and evidence-based methodologies for practising dentists.

Dental Surgeon

Private Practice, Chennai
~12 Years of Clinical Practice

Practised as a dental surgeon with extensive experience in clinical patient care, precision-based procedures, and building trust with young patients.

EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS

Licentiate (Teaching Level) in Multisensory Structured Language Therapy

Maharashtra Dyslexia Association | 2022 - 2023

Certified Dyslexia Teacher, trained in the Orton-Gillingham approach. Includes 180+ hours of instruction and 70+ hours of supervised practicum.

Foundation Degree in Specific Learning Disorders (SLD)

Maharashtra Dyslexia Association | 2020 - 2021

Study of specific learning disabilities, assessment, and evidence-based intervention strategies.

Postgraduate Diploma in Special Education Needs

Specialised training in understanding and supporting learners with diverse educational needs.

M.Sc. in Counselling and Psychotherapy

Postgraduate study in counselling and psychotherapy, providing a deep understanding of child behaviour, cognition, and emotional development.

B.D.S. (Bachelor of Dental Surgery)

Practised as a dental surgeon for nearly 12 years before transitioning to special education.

Currently pursuing: *Dyslexia Therapist certification (advanced clinical level), completing supervised clinical hours toward full therapist-level accreditation.*

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