

# Helenē Coates

Specialist Learning Support Teacher (SLST)

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## My Job...

I started working as a Specialist Learning Support Teacher (SLST) with Educational Psychology and Specialist Support (EPSS) in 2010.

My role involves:

**Traded work commissioned by schools** - working collaboratively with schools, parents/carers and learners to capitalise on the learners strengths and offer advice and support to overcome any barriers to learning.

**Leading core consultations with schools** –discussing whole school and individual SEND needs, as raised by school, and signposting to appropriate services, interventions and strategies.

**Completing statutory work as commissioned by the Local Authority**

## What I might do in school...

Work one to one with a learner to assess strengths and possible barriers to learning

Observe a learner in class and at play

Consult with parents/carers and school staff to discuss a learner's strengths and any concerns at home and school

One to one or small group specialist teaching

Staff training

## My Areas of Interest...

All areas of Cognition and Learning

Literacy difficulties

Dyslexia

Maths difficulties

## What is important to me...

My family and friends

My pets

Making memories with my family

Exercise

Being part of a supportive team

## My background:

I am a psychology graduate who subsequently trained as a teacher. I have had experience of teaching across both primary and secondary phases.

I have an OCR level 7 certificate in assessing and teaching learners with specific difficulties in literacy (dyslexia).

