# Phonological Awareness
# Module Syllabus

## AIM PATHWAYS

AIM Pathways is an interactive, digital, professional development platform designed to strengthen educators' knowledge and skills in the science of literacy instruction. Course content is aligned to the International Dyslexia Association's *Knowledge and Practice Standards for Teachers of Reading*. Online coursework is accessible at your convenience—24 hours a day, 7 days a week, anywhere there is an internet connection. In order to translate theoretical models into classroom practice, AIM Pathways courses are designed to follow a Learn, Practice, and Apply cycle:

- **Learn** – Participants acquire knowledge by interacting with video lectures, articles, animated videos, and more.
- **Practice** – Participants practice newly acquired knowledge through card-sorting exercises, quizzes, and surveys.
- **Apply** – Participants apply their understanding of the content to real-life simulations and case studies. These in-depth, multi-step scenarios give educational leaders a chance to hone their diagnostic and prescriptive decision-making skills for instructional programming.

## MODULE DESCRIPTION

This AIM Pathways module explores the research and instructional practices related to *Phonological Awareness*. This meta-cognitive skill is defined as one's ability to attend to, discriminate, remember, and manipulate the sound structures of language. Phonological awareness, most specifically phonemic awareness, is an essential skill that underlies a student's ability to learn to read and spell.

## PRE- AND POST-MODULE KNOWLEDGE INVENTORY

Before starting the module, participants take a pre-knowledge inventory in order to establish a baseline of their current mastery of the content.

Upon completion of the module, participants take a post-knowledge inventory in order to assess their mastery of the content and their knowledge gains from the baseline assessment.

## CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION AND CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS

Participants who complete the online *Phonological Awareness* module will receive a certificate of completion and are eligible for 7 hours toward continuing education units (CEUs).

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***PHONOLOGICAL AWARENESS* MODULE OUTLINE**

- ☐ Pre-Module Knowledge Inventory

- ☐ Lesson 1 - Phonology: Working with the Speech Sound System
  - ☐ Lesson 1: Phonological Processing
  - ☐ Lesson 2: Features of Phonemes

- ☐ Lesson 2 - How We Teach Phonological Awareness
  - ☐ Lesson 1: Phonological Awareness Instruction
  - ☐ Lesson 2: Phonemic Awareness Instruction

- ☐ Post-Module Knowledge Inventory

*A full citation and reference list is available.*

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