

# Exciting pre-conference workshop for Inclusive Learning Technologies® Winter School 2006



## **ATLAS:** Assistive Technology and Language Assessment Software Toolkit and Training Workshop

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## Laureate Learning Systems Software – What is it about?

Laureate software is a series of programs focused very much on developing the language skills of students with communication impairments. It starts at early cause-and-effect level, for students with significant levels of disability, and then moves through a series of 50 different programs for students who reach the high level skills of mastery of irregular verbs, advanced categorisation and complex sentence structure. It is the most comprehensive language development suite available and all Laureate programs are based on solid current linguistic theory and research.

## Optimised Intervention and Data Tracking

A unique feature of Laureate software programs is their ability to “learn” as the student uses them. After a few minutes of a student working with the activities, the programs automatically start presenting the student with exercises specifically tailored to their needs - based on their individual emerging skills and competencies. All the time the student is working, the Laureate programs are also tracking performance. The data can then be analysed and printed reports can be generated detailing areas of strength and weakness. Great for accountability and evidence-based practice.

## Want to learn more?

Find out more about this comprehensive suite of software - ideally suited to meeting the needs of students with language development disorders.

## What is ATLAS?

ATLAS comprises of two parts: the Toolkit and the Training, so that an ATLAS user has both the equipment and the instruction they need for success. Even the best technology can't help individuals with special needs if there is no one who is properly educated in how to use it!

## The Training and the Toolkit?

For the past eight years, Adam Wing has worked in sales, marketing, training, and product development

at Laureate Learning Systems, a leading publisher of special needs software. He has attended hundreds of conferences, is an international presenter, and has worked with thousands of parents and professionals to help them identify and implement assistive technology. He specialises in



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conducting language assessments and providing individualised software solutions for children and adults with special needs. He has a B.A. from St. John's College in Annapolis, Maryland USA where he studied The Great Books Program and currently lives in Burlington, Vermont USA.

The Toolkit provided at each ATLAS workshop includes a comprehensive manual and language assessment guidelines with recommendations for intervention starting points. It also includes full copies of 12 of Laureate's software programs - valued at close to \$5000!

## The Cost?

The ATLAS one-day workshop costs AU\$690 (plus \$69 GST). Given that you receive almost \$5,000 worth of software FREE at the workshop - this is great value! And you leave the workshop knowing exactly how to use the 12 programs included in your Toolkit! If you are interested in attending the 2006 ATLAS workshop, contact Heather Jones at Spectronics on email: [heather@spectronicsinoz.com](mailto:heather@spectronicsinoz.com) or phone: (07) 3808 6833 and we will book your place.

## When?

**Monday 22nd May 2006**

## Where?

**Crowne Plaza, Surfers Paradise  
QLD 4127, AUSTRALIA**

## Cost?

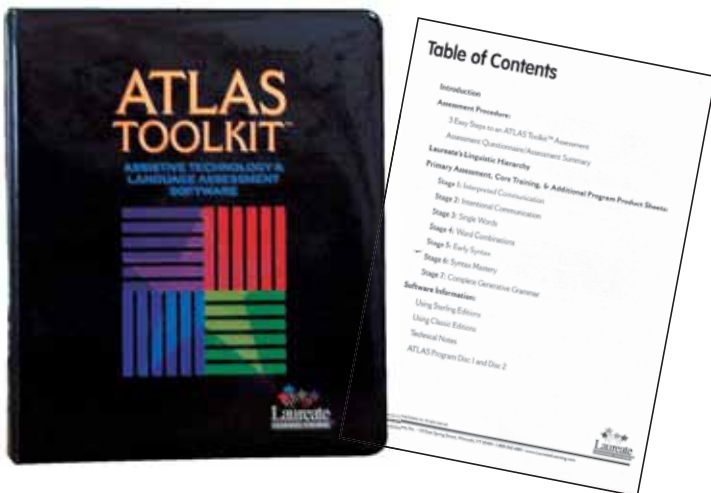
**AU\$690 (plus \$69 GST)**

## Included:

**One full-day workshop plus almost \$5,000 worth of software FREE!**

**Please Note: BYO Laptop recommended**

# Resources supplied at an ATLAS Training



## The Toolkit includes:

- 12 primary assessment and core training programs
- 10 further programs - demo versions
- A comprehensive manual
- Assessment guidelines with recommendations for intervention starting points

This Toolkit will enable you to assess your students and gauge their success as they enjoy their progress through the software.

The Laureate collection of software is graded from Stages 1 to 7, moving seamlessly at each stage from the earliest speech formations through vocabulary acquisition to sentence formation and finally to the more advanced tasks of correcting grammatical errors and helping with reading problems.

This workshop offers software to cover all of these stages. Together they provide instructional games with entertaining animated characters; expressive language training; syntax (or grammatical) training; exercises on early categorisation training; vocabulary and concept development; functional language training on the pragmatics of everyday conversation; training in auditory discrimination and processing; help in overcoming the perennial problems of reading and spelling; and advanced categorisation training.

With the ATLAS Toolkit and Training, you will be able to improve your students communication capabilities and collect an array of materials that will serve them in the future as they grow and develop.

**BYO Laptop  
recommended - to allow  
installation of software for  
hands-on participation in  
the workshop training!**

## ATLAS: Assistive Technology & Language Assessment Software

### ATLAS Toolkit

These are the Primary Assessment, Core Training and Additional Programs that correspond to the Seven Stages of Language Functioning. Use the Assessment Questionnaire to determine the student's Language Functioning Stage.

**Stage 1 Primary Assessment Program:**  
Creature Antics (Value \$169.00)

**Stage 2 Primary Assessment Program:**  
Creature Chorus Sterling Edition (Value \$189.00)

**Stage 3 Primary Assessment Programs:**  
First Words Sterling Edition (Value \$459.00)  
First Verbs Sterling Edition (Value \$459.00)

**Additional Program:**  
Exploring First Verbs - Demo

**Stage 4 Primary Assessment Programs:**  
Simple Sentence Structure Sterling Edition (Value \$375.00)  
First Categories Sterling Edition (Value \$449.00)

**Core Training Programs:**  
Early Emerging Rules: Prepositions - Demo  
My House: Language Activity of Daily Living - Demo  
**Additional Program:**  
Talking Nouns II - Demo

**Stage 5 Primary Assessment Programs:**  
Simple Sentence Structure Sterling Edition (Value \$375.00)  
Micro-LADS Module 2 (Value \$365.00)  
Micro-LADS Module 4 (Value \$365.00)

**Core Training Programs:**  
Words and Concepts I - Demo  
Nouns and Sounds - Demo  
**Additional Program:**  
CONCENTRATE! On Words and Concepts I - Demo

**Stage 6 Primary Assessment Programs:**  
Micro-LADS Module 6 (Value \$365.00)  
Following Directions: One and Two-Level Commands (Value \$345.00)

**Core Training Program:**  
Adjectives and Opposites: Learning at the Circus - Demo  
**Additional Program:**  
Tiger's Tale - Demo

**Stage 7 Primary Assessment Programs:**  
The Sentence Master: Level 1 (Value \$969.00)  
Swim, Swam, Swum: Mastering Irregular Verbs (Value \$295.00)

**Core Training Program:**  
Twenty Categories - Demo

*Manuals (Requires Acrobat Reader)*

*Printable Assessment Questionnaire Form (Requires Acrobat Reader)*



# ATLAS WORKSHOP

Complete this Registration Form to secure your place at the ATLAS one-day workshop in Brisbane!  
Please fax to Heather Jones at Spectronics on (07) 3808 6108 or post to: PO BOX 88, ROCHEDALE QLD 4123



## Your personal details:

Family name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: (eg Dr, Prof, Mr, Mrs, Ms) \_\_\_\_\_  
First name: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred name for name tag: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_  
Country: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: (Daytime) \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_  
Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## Your Organisation Details (if relevant):

Profession: \_\_\_\_\_  
Organisation: \_\_\_\_\_  
Organisation address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_  
Country: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: (Daytime) \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_  
Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## Other Information:

Special dietary requirements: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Wheelchair access: Yes No

## Payment details:

Registration fee (including \$69 GST): AU\$759 (includes admittance to the all-day workshop, lunch, morning and afternoon tea and almost \$5,000 worth of FREE software)

- By bank or personal cheque made out to Spectronics, mailed to Spectronics: PO Box 88, ROCHEDALE, QLD 4123  
 By direct deposit to Spectronics: *(Please include details of your full name with your deposit.)*  
National Australia Bank Springwood, QLD  
BSB# 084 383 A/C# 50720 6753.  
 By credit card  Visa  Amex  Mastercard  Bankcard

Name on card: \_\_\_\_\_  
Card number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Card expiry date: \_\_\_\_\_ (Month) \_\_\_\_\_ (Year)  
Total amount: \_\_\_\_\_ Full registration per person @ \$759 incl.GST (\$690 + \$69 GST)

## Receipt to:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment information:** An official receipt will be issued when payment is received. Payment must be received before you can attend the workshop. Registration forms must be accompanied by full payment in order to be processed. Incorrect credit card numbers and declined credit are considered non payments and registration will not take place. No registration will be accepted by phone.

**Refund policy:** Please notify us in writing of any cancellations. Cancellations received before 10th April 2006 will be refunded 90% of the amount paid. Cancellations received before 1st May 2006 will be refunded 50%. After 1st May 2006 there will be no refunds made. Please note that refunds will only be made after the workshop. 'No shows' are non-refundable and are liable for the full registration. If you cannot attend, you may send a substitute person. The original registrant must submit a written authorisation for such a change.

**Confirmation:** You should receive confirmation of your registration and a tax invoice and receipt for your payment within ten days.

**BYO Laptop:** It is recommended that you bring a laptop with you to the workshop. This is not essential, but will allow you to install the software and participate in hands-on training at the workshop.

**Communication:** Any problems or questions? Contact Heather Jones at heather@spectronicsinoz.com or phone (07) 3808 6833 or fax (07) 3808 6108.

## Office Use Only:

Registration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Registration Number: \_\_\_\_\_