

The Just Words® Launch Workshop provides the practice and guidance needed to effectively begin teaching the Just Words curriculum. The workshop covers an overview of the program, a dive into the materials and resources needed to teach Just Words, and a look at how to use the Instructor Manual, including practice planning a lesson. It wraps up with a chance to see Just Words in action, debrief, and look at what "next steps" will help participants kick off their Just Words instruction.

Prerequisite: None

Duration: One full day

Course Objectives

Upon completion of the course, participants are able to:

- Identify the skills taught in Just Words: phonics and word study (phonemic awareness, six basic syllable types in English, spelling rules, common Latin roots, prefixes, and suffixes), vocabulary study, and high frequency words.
- Understand the principles of instruction: explicit, sequential, and cumulative instruction that engages multiple learning modalities using multisensory instruction, repetition, and immediate, specific feedback.
- Identify and understand the use of all materials in the Just Words Teacher's Kit, and have a sense of how to find and use the many extended resources available on the <u>Just Words® Learning Community</u> (membership included with participation in this workshop).
- Use the Instructor Manual to prepare a daily learning plan and practice lesson activity procedures.
- Visualize the flow and pace of a full Just Words lesson completed with fidelity.
- Identify students who may be appropriate for a Just Words class and understand how to assess students' progress in the class by using Progress Checks at the beginning of each Unit and with the Unit Test at the end of each Unit.

Materials

- Just Words Launch Workshop Course Booklet (provided)
- Just Words Teacher's Kit, or at minimum Just Words Instructor Manual (recommended)
- Wilson Academy® Just Words Learning Community membership provided after workshop registration