Questions to Ask a Prospective Tutor

Tutor Background/Experience

1. How long have you been in private practice?

2. Please tell me about your qualifications, credentials, trainings.

3. Do you have previous teaching experience?

4. Do you have your own dyslexic child?

5. When did you first learn about dyslexia?

6. Why do you tutor?

7. Could you explain your philosophy about tutoring?

8. What are some examples of methods that you use to motivate students and/or engage them in work that is difficult?

Tutor Preferences/Style

1. Can you describe the type of learners with whom you work best?

2. Are there any kids that haven’t been a good fit? If so, can you describe them?

3. What are your favorite ages to work with?

4. Do you prefer mild, moderate or severely impacted learners?

5. What type of curriculum will you be using?
Logistics

1. How often do you recommend working with my child?

2. How many children do you tutor in a day or in a week?

3. How will you measure my child’s progress? How will you communicate his/her progress to me?

4. How long do you expect it to take to observe progress? What happens if my child doesn’t make progress?

5. What is your policy about tutoring during school holidays? What is your policy regarding make up sessions?

6. What is your availability?

7. Where will the tutoring take place?

8. How much do you charge? How often am I billed?

9. Do you have references of other parents I could talk to?