

Henry's Texas to Atlanta Road to Fluency

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Tim Mackesey has been a tremendous resource helping our (now 7 year old) son to overcome severe disfluency issues, which were first diagnosed as he approached age 4. Tim was the fourth and final therapist that we sought out in addressing what was a disturbing and cruel affliction that blindsided us and our only child.

For the most part, earlier approaches that we pursued with several of Greater Houston Texas' most accomplished stuttering specialists yielded positive results only during the 30 minute sessions and maybe a few hours beyond. The approaches generally offered no technique or "way out" beyond the scope of each therapy session, leading to unproductive and disheartening cycles of relapse.

Our sessions required four 1,400 mile round trips to Atlanta from Houston over the last 30 months, but we have experienced the best and most lasting results yet by far with Tim's approach so any related cost and inconvenience will be thought of from as an investment of the highest quality in our son's future. Conference calls in between these sessions also helped shore up our efforts.

Tim is very patient and especially gifted in keeping a child's attention and building the desire to get better through an awareness of the potential for self fixing. Our child loves Tim. Unlike the other paths we were on, our child now has a concrete road map for self correcting after just a few two-day (4-6 hour) sessions in Atlanta.

While our son still encounters tightness and mysterious swings in fluency from time to time, we no longer harbor fear and trepidation about his long term outlook. Tim Mackesey is owed 100% credit for this elusive calm we as concerned parents now enjoy.

We first became aware of Tim through late night Net Surfing during a period of acute distress about our son's outlook. No heavy handed referral. No hard selling.

Intuitively, we were attracted to the relatively unique resource Tim represents in that he himself has overcome stuttering. This hunch, proved to have tremendous merit in a real world hands on setting when compared to the other (very accomplished) therapists we had used.

My wife and I completely and wholeheartedly endorse Tim and his unique approach to this very mysterious affliction. Thanks to Tim, we were able to arrest the most severe symptoms for our son before any cruel teasing or history set in to scar his childhood.

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