



Why the Sebezaphone has everyone talking...

What is a Sebezaphone?

- A revolutionary teaching tool that enables reading, thinking and writing.
- The simple, handheld “phone” amplifies a reader’s whisper, allowing them to hear their own voice - and their voice alone.
- The whole class can read out loud, but softly! Background noise is effectively filtered out.
- As a result, learners can more easily differentiate between phonemes - enhancing fluency, comprehension, and enjoyment.

“This little tool can assist all learners to find their voice, in their own time.”

Alyce Miller, Sebezaphone Founder

The benefits at a glance

For learners:

- The Sebezaphone creates a private space, overcoming the natural resistance to reading aloud.
- Improves confidence - as a reader, thinker, and speaker.
- Helps learners link sounds and words to the letters of the alphabet.
- Improves cognition, increases focus, and adds to the fun of learning.
- Ideal for young children and learners of all ages - including those with learning difficulties.

For teachers:

- 100% participation, but in a quiet classroom!
- Optimal use of time: every child can enjoy individualised instruction throughout the entire period.
- Focuses a learner’s attention on the author’s words, promoting meta-cognitive awareness.
- Talking aloud develops the neural pathways for language development, computation, and learning in general.

“A teacher’s dream: every child actively engaged... while still maintaining a peaceful and productive classroom.”

Annie Bain, nursery school teacher

“It really helps me to concentrate and understand better!” - Grade 7 Learner

“I like that I can hear myself read.”

Grade 1 Learner



The Sebezaphone story

Born in New York, Alyce Miller is an education consultant with more than 20 year's experience. She offers a range of practical and proven methods to effectively manage large classes of learners, with diverse needs. Her publications include strategies for reading comprehension, writing, and learning.

But, as a child, she struggled to read aloud - even at high school level. It took her a long time to overcome the associated feelings of fear and embarrassment. Later, she was introduced to the idea of the "whisper phone" through an American colleague. It seemed to offer the best of all worlds: the chance to read out loud in class, but in private! Using the Xhosa word for "whisper", the South African version of the device was soon conceived.

Together with Annie Bain, a highly experienced nursery school teacher, Alyce has trialed the Sebezaphone in classroom settings across the country. The project has since grown into a job-creation endeavour, with the unemployed and those with disabilities involved in the manufacturing process. Three phone ranges are in the works, including animal designs and tailor-made options.

The Sebezaphones are being manufactured by Chaeli Campaign
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The Sebezaphone
 does not need to shout its benefits.

It whispers.



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