

How the Body Teaches the Brain to Think

Unlocking the fascinating secrets to how young children grow and learn, join experts **Deborah McNelis**, founder of BrainInsights, and **Gill Connell**, founder of Moving Smart, for a discussion of the dynamic relationship between the body and brain in early childhood development. Perfect for anyone interested in early learning including teachers, caregivers, special education practitioners, clinicians, and parents of children ages birth–7.

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Deborah McNelis, M.Ed., is overjoyed with the response to her passion to create awareness of the critical importance of optimal early brain development. She is an author, international speaker, educator, and parent. As a brain development specialist and founder of Brain Insights LLC, Deborah is the award-winning author of the Brain Insight series (Redleaf Press). She has been seen in several national publications and heard on radio interviews worldwide, and she receives rave reviews for her engaging and insightful presentations. Her enthusiasm is contagious.



Gill Connell is the coauthor of *A Moving Child Is a Learning Child* (Free Spirit Publishing) and a globally recognized presenter and child development authority, specializing in the foundations of learning through movement and play. She provides developmental expertise to parents, preschools, schools, and companies such as Hasbro, Inc., based on her more than 30 years in preschool and primary education. She is the former national director of Gymbaroo Preschool Activity Centers and the founder of Moving Smart, Ltd. (movingsmart.co.nz), which offers resources, tools, trainings, and workshops. Gill lives in Christchurch, New Zealand, and travels regularly to the United States.