

Who is ION?

The International Orality Network is a global affiliation of agencies and organizations working together with the common goal of making God's Word available to oral learners in culturally appropriate ways that enable church planting movements everywhere.

The International Orality Network is part of the Lausanne Movement and grew out of the Lausanne Committee for World Evangelism in 2004. ION has since grown to be a global network of over 2,000 organizations.

Vision

Influencing the Body of Christ to make disciples of all oral learners.

Mission

Seeking to radically influence the way oral preference learners are evangelized and disciplined in every people group.



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How can ION help you?

ION offers insight/coaching, training and resources to help equip you and your church members to connect and communicate with oral learners – those on the mission field and those in your community. Some of the best opportunities to help you learn, share and network are at our ION conferences and consultations. You'll find a community of like-minded agencies and individuals seeking to reach and make disciples of all oral learners.

Find out more at orality.net



Join the community

orality.net/join-the-community

Join a growing community of individuals & organizations, collaborating to reach oral learners globally



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How do we share the Word in a way that connects with people's hearts?



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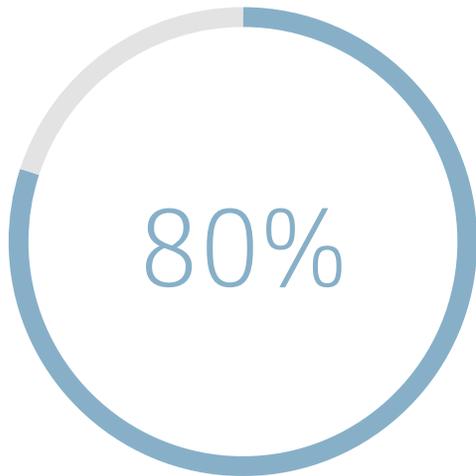
What is orality?

“Orality” refers to reliance upon the spoken, rather than written, word for communication and can include drama, music, poetry, the arts and hands-on experiential teaching.

Who are oral learners?

Oral learners are people from all over the globe, from all walks of life and all levels of education who learn primarily or exclusively through oral, not textual means. Their lives are therefore more likely to be transformed through stories, songs, drama, proverbs and media.

While some oral communicators learn this way out of necessity because they cannot read or write with understanding, others simply prefer non-print forms of communication, especially in this age of digital media.



Studies have shown that 80% of the world's population are oral learners - that is approximately 5.7 billion people!

Reaching Oral Learners

The 5.7 billion oral learners in our world include:

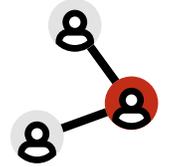
-  2.7 billion unreached people in approximately 3,500 unengaged, unreached people groups
-  Approximately 2 billion people without the Old Testament
-  >1,800 unengaged, unreached people groups consisting of 350 million people without a single verse of Scripture in their heart language
-  1.35 billion oral preference learners who may be literate, but prefer to learn through oral means

Connecting with hearts

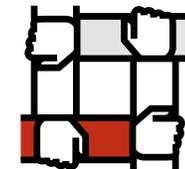
There are 7 ministry “Gateways” through which the network serves oral learners. These Gateways, or ministry affinity areas, enable focused collaboration, development of specialized best practices, and effective resource allocation in reaching oral learners globally.



Storying



Focused Outreach



Development



Arts & Culture



Media



Education



Research & Innovations

