

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT DYSLEXIA

Dyslexia is a language processing disorder that causes difficulty with reading, writing and spelling.

Dyslexia is NOT a sign of poor intelligence or laziness.

It is also not the result of impaired vision.

Dyslexia can affect different people differently - some can have difficulty with reading and spelling, while others might find using words correctly and writing or telling left from right challenging.

Like all learning disabilities, dyslexia is a lifelong challenge.

Using alternate learning methods, people with dyslexia can learn how to achieve success.

DYSLEXIA: WARNING SIGNS BY AGE

YOUNG CHILDREN	SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN	TEENAGERS & ADULTS
Difficulty recognizing letters, matching letters to sounds and blending sounds into speech	Difficulty mastering the rules of spelling	Reading below expected level
Confusion when pronouncing words, i.e. “mawn lower” instead of “lawn mower”	Trouble remembering facts and numbers	Difficulty understanding non-literal language, i.e. idioms, jokes, proverbs
Slow to learn and use new vocabulary words correctly	Poor handwriting, awkward pencil grip	Avoiding reading aloud
Trouble learning the alphabet, numbers, days of the week or similar common word sequences	Slow to learn and understand new skills - relies heavily on memorization	Difficulty organizing and managing time
Difficulty with rhyming	Frequent reading and spelling errors such as reversing letters (d,b) or moving letters around (left, felt)	Trouble summarizing a story
	Difficulty following a sequence of directions	Difficulty learning a foreign language
	Trouble with word problems in math	Poor memory skills

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