

Dyslexia Signs and Symptoms

Here are some of the more common Signs and Symptoms associated with dyslexia, broken down by age. Take a few moments to look over the list that is mostly associated with your child's age. If you notice that a majority of the signs and symptoms are apparent in your child's progression, the next logical step could be making use of NWEDA's Dyslexia Screening Service. Please talk to any Committee Member or see our website www.justdyslexic.org.uk for more information.

	LANGUAGE Does your child have difficulty with:	READING Does your child have difficulty with:	WRITING Does your child have difficulty with:	EMOTIONAL Does your child have difficulty with:	ADDITIONAL SIGNS & SYMPTOMS Does your child have difficulty with:
Age 5 - 8	Learning the alphabet	Naming Letters	Learning to write and copy at an age-appropriate level	Self-confidence	
	Rhyming words	Matching letter to sounds	Writing letters in correct order	Low self-esteem	
	Repeating what has been said	Learning to read at expected age	Writing numbers in correct order	Social skills - making and keeping friends	
	Staying focused	Remembering printed words	Spelling correctly and consistently	A quick temper/frustration	
Age 9 - 13	Rhyming words	Reading at age-appropriate level	Understanding spelling rules	Fitting in with peers confidently	Assuming a good sense of direction
	Pronouncing words correctly	Enjoying reading	Spelling words consistently correct	Maintaining a positive social status	Learning new games easily
	Speaking smoothly	Remembering sight words	Writing letters and numbers in the correct order	Maintaining a positive attitude	Learning and remembering new skills easily
	Understanding directions	Learning and remembering new words	Writing neatly	Interpreting non-verbal action (e.g. body language) of others	Remembering numbers
	Understanding grammar/vocabulary	Understanding maths word problems	Listening and taking notes	Maintaining an even temper	
Age 14 - 18	Speaking fluently	Reading at expected grade level and accuracy	Consistently spelling words accurately	Identifying social strengths and weaknesses	Memorising information
	Grasping a wide vocabulary	Reading aloud proficiently	Fully developing ideas	Dealing with being teased	Organising information
	Using the correct grammar and vocabulary	Recognising sight words	Preparing accurate comprehensive outlines	Making and keeping friends	Being even keeled from day to day
	Knowing the difference between words that look and sound similar	Enjoying reading	Editing written work	Dealing with unexpected challenges	Understanding space and direction
	Getting to a point quickly	Reading confidently	Being logical and organised	Identifying what others are feeling	