

# Knowing how to spot, support and empower dyslexic thinking can transform the life of any dyslexic child

What is dyslexia?

<https://youtu.be/gtFKNPrJhJ4>

Dyslexic brains process information differently. This results in a pattern of strengths, like problem solving, creative thinking and seeing the big picture. Plus, challenges like spelling, reading, writing and rote learning.

## How to spot it



1. Dyslexia can be identified at 5 years or earlier. The earlier it's discovered and supported, the sooner dyslexic kids catch up and keep up.
2. A mismatch between what an individual seems capable of verbally and the written work they produce is a strong indicator of dyslexia.
3. The 'label' is vital for our understanding. Adjustments and accommodations that come with identification are crucial for our success.
4. You can spot dyslexia as much by the strengths as by the challenges. Dyslexic strengths are in high demand in today's workplace.
5. 4 in 5 dyslexics say knowing they were dyslexic helped them develop the perseverance to succeed. Identification is key to our self-esteem.

## How to support it



1. Support dyslexic children with evidence-based, multi-sensory, interventions, like those shared in our free, online, training.
2. Positive praise is vital. Spot our strengths, whether it's imagining, questioning, explaining and help us do lots of them.
3. Research shows that we are most motivated to improve when we hear negative and positive comments in a ratio of 1:5.

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4. Technology is a game-changer. It can support us with our challenges and help us demonstrate all the brilliant things we know.
5. You can empower amazing dyslexic imaginations by typing, using speech to text, making videos, mind mapping and more.

### How to empower it



1. Every dyslexic child has dyslexic strengths.
2. They're the things we are naturally good at and love to do.
3. Finding our strengths is key to building self-esteem.
4. They lead us into jobs we love and lives that are fulfilling.
5. Empathy, Imagining, Making and more are all dyslexic strengths.