

Dyslexia Awareness Week

What is Dyslexia?

Dyslexia is a neurobiological disorder that affects the development of both decoding (written word pronunciation) and encoding (spelling).

Students with dyslexia have difficulty reading fluently and spelling words accurately, even after years of teaching.

People with dyslexia who read and write in English read slower, they spell words as they sound, they usually hate reading and they may reverse symbols and letters in their writing.

Some Common Misconceptions

Myth—Students who flip numbers and letters have dyslexia.

Fact—Some students with dyslexia show this feature, but it is not the key feature of dyslexia. Laborious reading and poor spelling are.

Myth—Dyslexia can be cured with enough reading and spelling practice.

Fact—Dyslexia can not be cured because it is a disorder of the brain.

What does text look like?

Text may move and jump over the page. Swedish web developer Victor Widell came up with the idea after his dyslexic friend told him letters seemed to swap in and out of place when she looked at the words.

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To view the simulation visit:

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/sciencetech/article-3480257/What-s-REALLY-like-read-dyslexia-Simulator-reveals-letters-words-appear-people-condition.html>

If you require any more information about dyslexia or you want to talk to someone about dyslexia in school then please talk to Mrs J Ellis, Mrs Havenhand or Mrs Geach.

A few famous dyslexics

