

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: How can I get a diagnosis of dyslexia?

A: A child or adult can be evaluated for dyslexia by a trained professional. These professionals are trained to do a psychological assessment as opposed to a mental health evaluation.

Q: Can a person be cured of dyslexia?

A: Dyslexia does not have a cure. It is a neurologically based difference that results in difficulties with various aspects of written and spoken language. Individuals with dyslexia are often gifted in other areas. With the assistance of a sensitive, trained, professional and an appropriate program of instruction, children and adults with dyslexia can successfully develop good language skills.

Q: How does a person with dyslexia learn best?

A: It is best for a person with dyslexia to be taught reading, writing and spelling using a multi-sensory teaching method such as Orton-Gillingham or Alphabetic Phonics. A person with dyslexia may experience weaknesses in one or more receptive or expressive channels, yet be very strong in other forms of learning such as artistic expression, music or athletic ability.

Q: What is a multi-sensory method?

A: Multi-sensory teaching methods use many sensory channels for learning language sounds simultaneously or within the same lesson. This may be referred to as VAKT, or visual, auditory, kinesthetic and tactile. Teaching with this method allows learning to take place in areas of strength and will support learning in areas of weakness.

Q: Do you have a tutor list that you can mail to me?

A: Tutor requests are handled on an individual basis.