

Supporting Children with Reading, Spelling and Dyslexia

Information Websites	https://www.bdadyslexia.org.uk/advice/children/how-can-i-support-my-child https://www.understood.org/en/learning-thinking-differences/child-learning-disabilities/dyslexia/dyslexia-strategies-you-can-try-at-home https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zbxb9y9q https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zbxb9y9q https://www.dyslexiascotland.org.uk/sites/default/files/library/SupportingSpelling.pdf
Tips	<p>- It is important to encourage children to recognise and pursue the areas in which they excel (do more of what they enjoy) and support them with the areas they find difficult.</p> <p>-Allow children to use a word processor to complete some written tasks. This highlights spelling errors and offers alternatives. If they can't type, encourage them to learn, so that they are able to use a Word Processor with more speed and fluency.</p> <p>-Play games to support memory and retention e.g. pairs, Go Fish etc. (see resource links for more ideas)</p> <p>-Enable children to access age related audiobooks to develop a love of reading. Encourage (don't force or push) them to share what's happening in the story and share their excitement, wondering aloud what will happen next. This will also develop their vocabulary and comprehension, without them even realising that they are learning.</p> <p>-Don't make reading a fight. Encourage children to read one page and you read the next page. Read some books to them for pleasure and invite them to read a section if they want to (don't push if they don't want to). By developing a love of books and stories children will naturally want to learn how to read, so make the experience as pleasurable as you can.</p> <p>-Teach your child to touch type. This will be an important skill for them as they progress through school.</p>
Resources/Ideas	<p>Dance mat Typing – free beginners typing course for children. https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zf2f9j6/articles/z3c6tfr</p> <p>Free Phonics games - https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/ https://www.weareteachers.com/working-memory/ https://www.understood.org/en/school-learning/learning-at-home/homework-study-skills/8-working-memory-boosters</p> <p>Free audio stories https://stories.audible.com/start-listen</p> <p>BBC 500 Words stories – 100s of fantastic short stories written by children. Children can read along on the screen whilst the story is read aloud to them: https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/KNWsKPrg7stQ54tTbcf6P7/500-words-the-stories</p> <p>Lovereading4kids https://www.lovereading4kids.co.uk/privacy-policy</p> <p>For finding new things to read at the right reading developmental level http://www.oliviareader.com/ (Can be installed on Google Chrome and acts like a coloured overlay)</p> <p>Monster Phonics www.monsterphonics.com</p> <p>Information about phonics and how parents can help develop children's knowledge. Links to free resources .</p> <p>Book links to use at home https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/have-some-fun/storybooks-and-games/ https://www.phonicbooks.co.uk/advice-and-resources/free-teaching-resources/free-mini-books-for-home-school-use/</p>

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	<p>Oliver Jeffers : #stayathomestorytime http://www.oliverjeffers.com Oliver Jeffers is reading his stories live and talking about the book afterwards with options to comment and ask him questions. The schedule and books are listed here and can also be accessed following the live stream on his website.</p> <p>Phonics Play https://phonicsplay.co.uk Phonic games for KS1 or learners in KS2 needing additional support. Currently this can be used for free by children at home. The instructions are all on the homepage.</p> <p>Teach Your Monster to Read https://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com/ Covers everything from letters and sounds to reading full sentences. Designed in collaboration with leading academics. Complements all synthetic phonics programmes used in schools. Computer version is 100% free. There is currently an offer on the APP version.</p> <p>SEN Assist A range of interactive traditional stories assessed at different levels. http://www.senassist.com/ Story workshops from Positive Eye's Idea Machine (Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays) https://www.positiveeye.co.uk/</p> <p>Chat Play Read https://small-talk.org.uk/</p> <p>World stories https://www.kidsout.org.uk/what-we-do/world-stories/</p> <p>Cbeebies Radio – Listening activities https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/radio</p> <p>Information on spelling and activities https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/english/primary-spelling/</p>
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