

GENERAL ARTICLES

SPECIFIC LEARNING DISABILITY - DYSLEXIA

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Abstract: *Specific learning disability, is a neuro-developmental and biological disorder which refers to ongoing problems in reading or writing or mathematics. Reading difficulty in a child with normal or above normal IQ, is considered as 'dyslexia', writing difficulty as 'dysgraphia' and difficulty in mathematics as 'dyscalculia'. Remedial teaching remains the mainstay of management. Specific learning disability is included in the disability act and children with dyslexia get free remedial teaching and concessions in education by the Government. Early identification of specific learning disability and prompt intervention will result in bright future for these children.*

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Points to Remember

- *Dyslexic children read slowly word by word, hate reading, have poor hand writing, make grammar and spelling mistakes, with reversal tendency and difficulty with maths.*
- *Their IQ is normal or above normal and have multiple intelligence.*
- *Remedial teaching is the main mode of management of these children.*
- *No drug is needed, unless associated with co morbid condition like ADHD.*

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