Supporting pupils with Speech and Language difficulties.

Dyslexia

https://www.slideshare.net/treashelby/dyslexia-powerpoint?next_slideshow=1



Did you know these people are Dyslexic?



People with dyslexia have trouble reading, writing and spelling and often find it hard to concentrate. Difficulties can include short-term memory, spoken language and motor skills.

Famous dyslexics include Einstein, Richard Branson and Leonardo da Vinci.

What is • Dyslexia?

Dyslexia tends to run in families and tends to affect boys more than girls.

Dyslexia is independent of social or economic factors or intelligence. Many dyslexics are extremely intelligent, and often excel in such areas as maths, art, design and music.

Dyslexia affects 10% of the population. Around 4% of the population (over 2 million people in the UK) is severely affected by dyslexia.

What we can do:

- Recognise the confusion and frustration of the pupil and avoid situations that increase pressure.
- Do not think there is a lack of effort.
- Provide support with additional recording mechanisms where appropriate
- Use coloured overlays as appropriate.
- Provide opportunities for the student to re-learn and over-learn.
- Encourage the process of drafting and redrafting.
- Amend worksheets to make them understandable.
- Provide assistance with elements of the writing process, such as the using of planning sheets and editing checklists.
- Read questions aloud.
- Encourage self-correction.
- Practise memory games.
- Establish the pupils' strengths and their individual learning styles.
- Teach a range of word-attack skills (e.g. contextual cues, look and say, phonics, punctuation and word shapes).
- Use a graded-reading programme that is appropriate to the pupil's level of literacy skills as well as his/her interest level.
- Provide supplementary reading material that is below the pupil's assessed reading level, which allows the pupil to read independently (i.e. less than two errors in one hundred words).
- Correct spellings positively and allow students credit for correct letters or sounds in words.
- Employ a number of multi-sensory methods when teaching spellings and consider the use of the strategy of look, copy, trace, picture, cover, write and check selectively.
- Construct logs or diaries of essential words.
- Break tasks into small steps and allow adequate time for completion.
- Teach study skills (e.g. highlighting central points, mind-maps®, mnemonics, etc).
- Give regular constructive praise and encouragement and maintain high expectations.
- Limit copying from the board. Write in different colours on the whiteboard.
- Expect a pupil's work to be erratic and inconsistent.
- Encourage pupils to repeat the directions for completing a task.
- Use visual cues to help the pupils to organise themselves.
- Acknowledge that extra time is needed by pupils in order to complete tasks.
- Use appropriate computer software to support reading, spelling and writing (e.g. Nessy etc).

Links