

WEB RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES

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READING AND READING INSTRUCTION

[Reading Rockets \(Colorin Colorado - en español\)](#)

Reading Rockets, a national service of PBS station WETA/Washington, D.C., provides information on teaching children to read and helping those who struggle with reading.

[Get Ready to Read](#)

This initiative by the National Center for Learning Disabilities gives parents, educators, health-care professionals, and advocates tools to help build and screen early literacy skills.

DYSLEXIA AND READING INSTRUCTION

[What is Structured Literacy?](#)

This infographic provides a definition and examples of structured literacy. It explains why this approach is vital for learners with dyslexia.

[Neuhaus FAQs #8: Which reading instruction is most effective for students with dyslexia?](#)

We have created a list of FAQs to support families who have questions about dyslexia.

[International Dyslexia Association \(IDA\) – Just the Facts](#)

IDA provides information on dyslexia and related research, including a parent section.

[Houston Branch of the International Dyslexia Association \(HBIDA\)](#)

Houston Branch of the International Dyslexia Association (HBIDA) provides local resources and hosts conferences and workshops for parents and teachers.

[Yale Center for Dyslexia and Creativity](#)

This center at Yale University is a source of information for students, parents, and educators. Its mission is to “illuminate the strengths of children and adults with dyslexia.”

EDUCATION LAW

[Wright’s Law](#)

Accurate and reliable information about special education law, education law, and advocacy for children with disabilities.

[Texas Dyslexia Handbook \(2018\)](#)

The handbook is available to download free from the website in English and Spanish. It contains guidelines for school districts to follow as they identify and provide services for students with dyslexia. In addition, information regarding the state’s dyslexia statutes and their relation to various federal laws is included.

[The ARC of Greater Houston](#)

This is a nonprofit organization that advocates for people with developmental disabilities. Programs include monthly courses on the law, advocacy services, and parent supports groups.

LEARNING AND LEARNING DIFFERENCES

[Understood](#)

15 nonprofit educational organizations joined forces to support parents with learning and attention issues throughout their journey. With state-of-the-art technology, personalized resources, free daily access to experts, a secure online community, practical tips and more, Understood aims to be that support. Sign up for the e-newsletters.

[ADDitude](#)

A magazine, website, and a weekly e-newsletter with blogs, webinars, and other information about strategies for parenting ADHD and LD children. The content is broad, the editorial staff is impressive, and the information about school, social, and personal challenges that kids face is very reliable and helpful. Sign up for the e-newsletters.

[LD OnLine](#)

This comprehensive website for parents and educators is an educational service of PBS station WETA-TV, in Washington, D.C. WETA also offers three other comprehensive educational sites: [readingrockets.org](#), [adlit.org](#), and [colorincolorado.org](#) (en espanol).

[National Center for Learning Disabilities](#)

Provides information, resources, and referral services for individuals with learning disabilities. The site includes information about the Get Ready to Read literacy screening tool and information about special education law.

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY

[Learning Ally](#)

Formerly known as Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic, is a source for recorded books and textbooks. Texas public schools can apply for free accounts through a grant to get licenses for qualifying students at no cost.

[Inspiration](#)

Teaches good writing strategies to help to develop ideas and organize thinking.

[Bookshare](#)

Makes reading easier. People with dyslexia, blindness, cerebral palsy, and other reading barriers can customize their experience to suit their learning style and find virtually any book they need for school, work, or the joy of reading.

[WorkFlowy](#)

This is a useful tool for managing information, taking notes, and making lists. Simple to use, but powerful.

[Apps that Promote Reading Skills](#)

The Houston Branch of the International Dyslexia Association (HBIDA) creates an annual Resource Directory. This article describes apps from phonological awareness to comprehension to writing.

[Talking Book Program](#)

Provides free library services for Texans of any age who are blind or have a visual, physical, or reading disability.

WHAT CAN WE DO TO ENRICH LITERACY EXPERIENCES AT HOME?

[Quick Tips from Neuhaus - YouTube](#)

A series of videos that range from 2-8 minutes with many literacy activities and strategies that families can also use at home.

[PBS Kids – Between the Lions](#)

A popular television show for young children who are learning to read. This site provides segments selected from the show that provide early reading resources.

[Storyline Online](#)

An engaging site for children with activities and stories that are read aloud by actors.

HOW CAN I TALK TO MY CHILD ABOUT DYSLEXIA?

[Talking with your child about dyslexia](#)

This article from the Yale Center for Dyslexia & Creativity provides key points to keep in mind when speaking with your child about dyslexia.

[Tips for talking to your child about dyslexia](#)

This article from Understood provides 8 tips to keep in mind when introducing dyslexia to your child.

[Books with Dyslexic Characters](#)

This article describes 12 books that include characters who have dyslexia.

[12 Famous People with Dyslexia](#)

This article outlines a variety of public figures who describe their varied experiences with dyslexia.