

Mythbusters: Some Common Myths about Dyslexia

Myth	Fact
Dyslexia is not real	There are 30 years of documented scientific research to prove its existence.
People with Dyslexia are not smart.	Dyslexic people can have very high IQs.
Dyslexia can be outgrown.	Dyslexia is a life-long issue.
Dyslexic people can see things backwards.	They may reverse words due to confusions when discerning left to right.
Dyslexic people can't read.	They can read but it is a slow, struggle with effort.
Dyslexic people can't do phonics or have had a lack of phonetic instruction.	They can learn phonetic rules but may have trouble when applying to reading.
There is no way to diagnose dyslexia.	Dyslexia can be detected and diagnosed as early as 5 years of age.
More boys than girls are dyslexic.	More boys are identified due to behavior/acting out issues. Girls can go undetected until high school or