

Dyslexia instruction encompasses the following eight instructional components:

1. Phonological Awareness (internal sound structure of words)
2. Sound-symbol Association (alphabetic principle)
3. Syllabication (6 syllable types)
4. Orthography (written spelling patterns and rules)
5. Morphology (study of how morphemes are combined to form words)
6. Syntax (grammar, sentence variation, mechanics of language)
7. Reading Comprehension (extracting and constructing meaning from text)
8. Reading Fluency (ability to read with sufficient speed and accuracy to comprehend)

Below are free resources for your child that focus on one or more of these eight instructional components. We recommend that your child use a combination of the resources to enhance practice with all the components during the time your child is at home.

- Virtual School – Nessy US (app) & Nessy.com: programs focus on phonics, reading, spelling and writing.
- Neuhausacademy.com - offers reading support to help high school and adult learners master difficult vocabulary. Learners come away with improved reading, spelling, and comprehension skills, and an increased ability to learn and understand new words for the rest of their lives.
- What's Changed? Skill Builder – US version (app) – focuses on developing phonemic awareness (what sound change occurred, segmentation and blending).
- OG Card Deck (app) – electronic card deck enhances understanding of grapheme-phoneme correspondences that form the building blocks for reading and spelling. Multisensory experience of hearing phoneme and key word, watching a video clip showing articulation of the phoneme, and the opportunity to practice the phoneme with a voice recording/playback option. Follows the Orton-Gillingham based reading program.
- Zoo-phonics (apps) – learn to read and spell with games.
- Starfall I'm Reading (app) – develops comprehension and reading fluency in beginning and advancing readers through exploration, positive reinforcement, and play.
- Learning Ally (app) – provides access to human-read audiobooks (includes best-sellers, classic literature and textbooks) with tools including highlighted text synced with the audio narration, speed control, bookmarking, highlighting, and note-taking.
- But Why (podcast) – curious kids submit questions and NPR finds the answers.
- Stories Podcast (podcast) – a new story is performed each week. Stories range from retellings of fairy tales to classic stories and original works (all G rated).
- ❑ Galexia Reading Fluency (Android app) – Spanish program that improves reading fluency and comprehension. It is structured and sequential (starting with reading syllables, then words, and finally texts) using repeated and accelerated reading. The intervention is complemented by phonological reinforcement activities, phoneme-grapheme correspondence rules, spelling pattern rules, and comprehension activities.
- ❑ Curso de ortografía español (Android app) – Spanish orthography course focusing on spelling patterns, spelling rules, types of sentences, subject/predicate, and synonyms /antonyms /homophones.
- ❑ Leo Con Grin (app) – learn to read in Spanish through phonics games.

As we continue to monitor the COVID 19 situation, we will update our webpage and available resources to support our students during future school closures if applicable. Stay safe at home.