



Defining Dyslexia

Empowering individuals to
overcome Dyslexia



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Choosing a Dyslexia Assessor

8 Things Every Parent Should Check

A dyslexia assessment is an important investment in your child's future. Use this checklist to help you choose an assessor who is qualified, experienced and committed to providing the best support possible.



1. APC Registered

Ensure your assessor holds a current Assessment Practising Certificate (APC).

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2. SASC Compliant

The report should meet current SASC guidelines and be accepted by schools, colleges, universities, employers and awarding bodies.

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3. Accepted by Schools & Universities

Check the report will be accepted for access arrangements, DSA and other support where needed.

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4. Experience with Your Child's Age

Choose an assessor with relevant experience assessing children or adults of your child's age and stage.

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5. Recommendations Included

The report should include clear, practical recommendations for learning, wellbeing and daily support.

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6. Questions After the Assessment

You should have the opportunity to ask questions and receive guidance after the report.

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7. Clear Timescales

Make sure the assessor provides a clear timeframe for both the assessment and the written report.

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8. Transparent Pricing

Look for clear pricing with no hidden costs.

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Questions to Ask

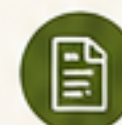
- What qualifications and experience do you have?
- How long have you been assessing for dyslexia?
- What assessment tools do you use and why?
- How long will the assessment take?
- When will we receive the report?
- Can we talk through the results afterwards?
- What support do you offer following the assessment?

What Do These Mean?



APC (Assessment Practising Certificate)

The only national qualification in the UK that shows an assessor has the skills, knowledge and experience to carry out dyslexia assessments.



SASC (SpLD Assessment Standards Committee)

Sets the standards for high quality assessments and reports so they are fair, accurate and accepted by organisations everywhere.



At Defining Dyslexia, we are APC registered, follow SASC guidelines and provide detailed, personalised recommendations and ongoing support. Find out more about our assessments at www.definingdyslexia.org

