Supporting Children with Reading, Spelling and Dyslexia



Information	https://www.bdadyslexia.org.uk/advice/children/how-can-i-support-my-child
Websites	https://www.understood.org/en/learning-thinking-differences/child-learning-
	disabilities/dyslexia/dyslexia-strategies-you-can-try-at-home
	https://www.dyslexiascotland.org.uk/sites/default/files/library/SupportingSpelling.pdf
Resources/	Dance mat Typing – free beginners typing course for children.
Ideas	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zf2f9j6/articles/z3c6tfr
	Free audio stories https://stories.audible.com/start-listen
	BBC 500 Words stories – 100s of fantastic short stories written by children. Children can read
	along on the screen whilst the story is read aloud to them:
	https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/KNWsKPrg7stQ54tTbcf6P7/500-words-the-stories
	Lovereading4kids
	https://www.lovereading4kids.co.uk/privacy-policy
	For finding new things to read at the right reading developmental level
	http://www.oliviareader.com/
	(Can be installed on Google Chrome and acts like a coloured overlay)
	Monster Phonics
	Book links to use at home
	https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/have-some-fun/storybooks-and-games/
	SEN Assist
	A range of interactive traditional stories assessed at different levels.
	http://www.senassist.com/
Tips	- It is important to encourage children to recognise and pursue the areas in which they excel
	(do more of what they enjoy) and support them with the areas they find difficult.
	-Encourage children to use a word processor to complete some written tasks. This highlights
	spelling errors and offers alternatives. If they can't type, encourage them to learn, so that they
	are able to use a Word Processer with greater speed and fluency.
	-Play games to support memory and retention e.g. pairs, Go Fish etc. (see
	resource links for more ideas)
	-Enable children to access age related audiobooks to develop a love of reading.
	Encourage (don't force or push) them to share what's happening in the story and share their
	excitement, wondering aloud what will happen next. This will also develop their vocabulary and
	comprehension, without them even realising that they are learning.
	-Don't make reading a fight. Encourage children to read one page and you read the next page.
	Read some books to them for pleasure and invite them to read a section if they want to (don't
	push if they don't want to). By developing a love of books and stories children will naturally
	want to learn how to read, so make the experience as pleasurable as you can.
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	-Teach your child to touch type. This will be an important skill for them as they progress through school.