

Dyslexia Awareness Bulletin Board Kit

This document contains or links to everything you need to create an awesome Dyslexia Awareness Bulletin Board!

Understanding that display space may vary considerably in size, the elements in the bulletin board kit are designed to work in a number of configurations. Additionally, there are more elements than you will likely need for your bulletin board. We expect you'll pick and choose what to use depending on space constraints and what information is most helpful for your context.

The following instructions are for the bulletin board configuration below which uses most of the elements. Flip to the end of the instructions for some additional layout inspiration.

Example of a bulletin board (7ft long X 4 ft tall or 2.1 m X 1.25m.) See pgs 10-11 for more layouts.



Instructions

What you need...

INCLUDED IN THE KIT

Printable Elements

1. [Dyslexia Banner](#)
2. [What is Dyslexia?](#)
3. [Is...](#)
4. [Isn't...](#)
5. [Fact Images](#)
6. [Inspirational Quotes](#)
7. [Myth/Reality](#)
8. [Books for Kids & Adults](#)
9. [Info Label](#)

NOT INCLUDED

- Color Printer
- Construction Paper (9"X12")
- Glue or double-sided tape (to attach printed items to construction paper)
- Clear packing tape (to connect pieces of construction paper)
- Scissors
- String, ribbon, or yarn
- Paper cutter (optional)

Tips & Notes

- Read through all the instructions before getting started.
- To get elements extra flat, put glued elements inside/under a heavy book. Leave overnight.
- The guide includes links and QR codes to websites and resources created by other organizations. These sites are not affiliated or endorsed. The author is not responsible for their content.

Got questions? Suggestions for improvement?
email us at support@brilliantlydyslexic.com

Dyslexia Banner

You will need:

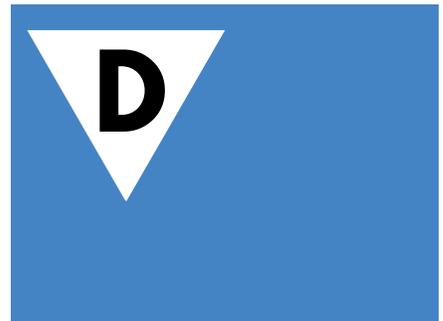
- [Dyslexia Banner file](#)
- Construction paper
- String, ribbon, yarn
- Glue or double-sided tape
- Clear packing tape

INSTRUCTIONS

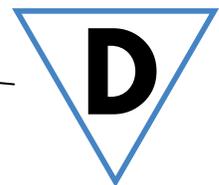
1. Print the letters (Note: To fit a smaller space, print at 50% scale)

2. Cut them out

3. Glue to construction paper.



4. Cut out leaving a border of color around the letter



5. When all letters are cutout, attach to string with clear packing tape (on the back of the letter so the tape doesn't show)



What is Dyslexia?

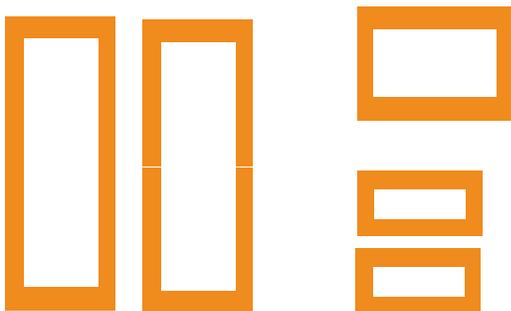
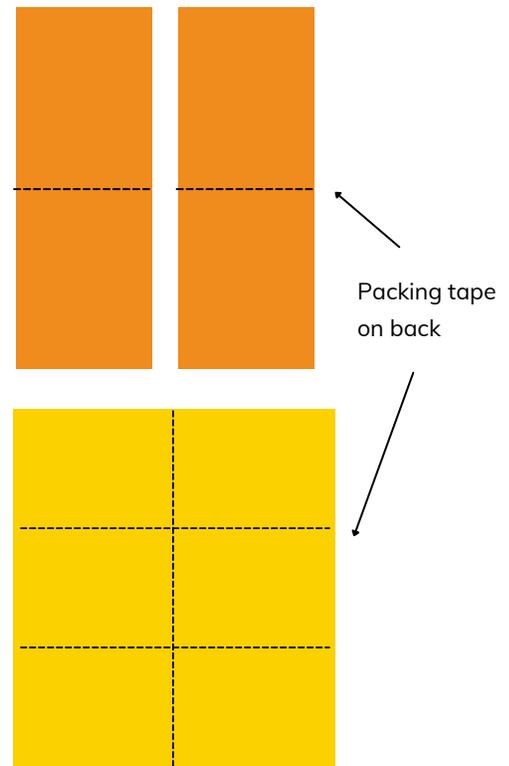
You will need:

- What is Dyslexia? files ([File 1](#), [File 2](#), [File 3](#))
- Construction paper (2 colors, 6 sheets each)
- Glue or double-sided tape
- Clear packing tape



INSTRUCTIONS

1. Print the Files
2. On printed sheets, cut along gray cutlines.
3. Prepare backgrounds that take >1 sheet. Use clear packing tape to connect the seams on the back.
 - Long orange background: 2 sheets of construction paper each, vertical orientation.
 - Large yellow background: 6 sheets of construction paper, horizontal orientation
4. Glue printed elements to orange construction paper.
5. Trim the edges.



Fact images

You will need:

- [Dyslexia Facts file](#)
- Construction paper
- String, ribbon, yarn
- Glue or double-sided tape
- Clear packing tape



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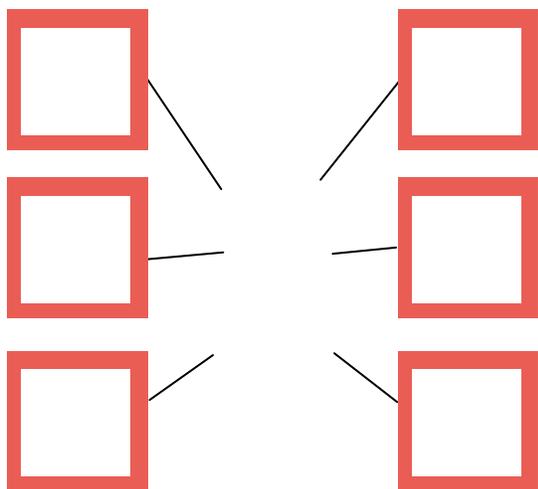
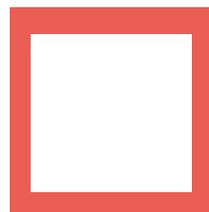
1. Print the images. They are 7x7in / ~18x18cm.
(Note: To fit a smaller space, reduce the scale when you print. 70% scale = ~5x5in / 13x13cm)

2. Cut out leaving a thin white border around the image.

3. Glue printed elements to red construction paper.

4. Trim the edges leaving a border.

5. When you assemble on the board, use the yarn to connect the fact to the corresponding text..



Inspirational Quotes

You will need:

- [Quotes File](#)
- Construction paper
- Glue or double-sided tape
- Clear packing tape



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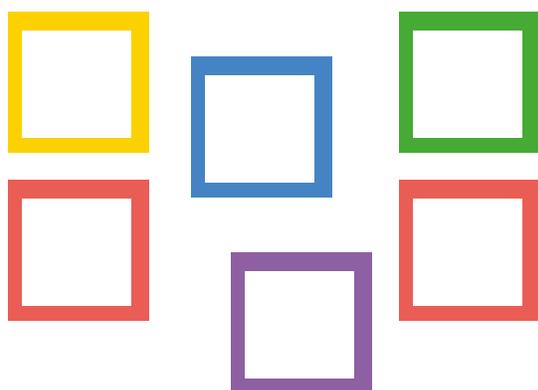
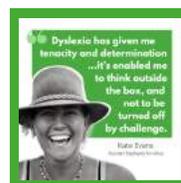
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(Note: To fit a smaller space, reduce the scale when you print. 70% scale = ~5x5in / 13x13cm)

2. Cut out. Use the black guides at the corners of the image to determine the cutline.

3. Glue printed elements to construction paper.

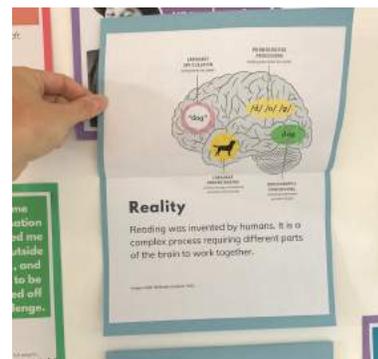
4. Trim the edges leaving a border.



Myth + Reality

You will need:

- [Myths File](#)
- Construction paper
- Glue or double-sided tape



INSTRUCTIONS

1. Print the file.

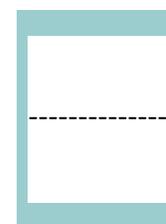
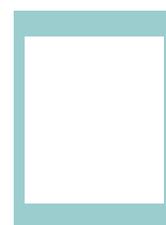
2. Cut out the yellow 'myth' pieces. Leave a thin white border around the image.

3. Glue the 'reality' sheets to pieces construction paper, centered

4. Fold construction paper in half

5. Glue corresponding 'myth' to the front of the folded sheet.

Note: There are more options than we expect you to use so that you can pick and choose what to share.



Fold line

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Books for Kids & Adults

You will need:

- [Books file](#)
- Construction paper
- Glue or double-sided tape



INSTRUCTIONS

1. Print the file. and cut out the images.

2. Prepare backgrounds. Use clear packing tape to connect the seams on the back. 2 sheets of construction paper each, vertical orientation.

3. Trim to the background to fit your space. In the example, the background is 18x6.5in or 46cmx16cm.

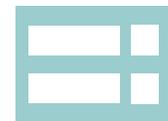
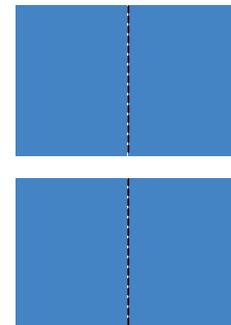
4. Glue headers and QR codes to construction paper and cut out.

5. Glue or tape the headers, book covers, and QR code to the construction paper. Depending on the size of the background, you may not use all the covers.

QR codes link to the following files

- [Children's Books About Dyslexia](#)
- [Resources for Parents & Teachers](#)

Packing tape
on back



Take-away Info & Resources

You will need:

- [Info Label file](#)
- Manila envelope (~9x12in)
- Glue or double-sided tape
- Take-away resources (options below)



INSTRUCTIONS

1. Print the file and cut out the label.
2. Shorten the depth of the envelope so that the papers stick out the top: Fold over the bottom few inches of the envelope and tape it back.
3. Glue the label to the envelope.

Possible Take-away Resources:

- [Dyslexia Basics](#)
- [Children's Books About Dyslexia](#)
- [Resources for Parents & Teachers](#)

Example Layout Designs

D Y S L E X I A

What is Dyslexia?

IS...

- Common
- Something that runs in families
- On a continuum
- Lifelong
- Possible to identify early

ISN'T...

- Reflective of intelligence
- Only Negative
- Visual
- Always Alone
- Uniform

1 IN 5 people have dyslexia

49% of parents with dyslexia have dyslexic children

SEA of Strengths

Myth
Reading is a natural process.

Myth
Dyslexia is a visual issue.

Myth
Dyslexia can't be identified until the child falls behind.

Myth
Dyslexia is only about remediating weaknesses.

Myth
Dyslexia is an island of weakness in a sea of strengths.

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Dyslexia isn't actually a burden, it was gift because it made me look at the world differently.

Myth
Dyslexia has given me tenacity and determination...it's enabled me to think outside the box, and not to be turned off by challenge.

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By age 10, 11 and 12, for most people, reading is like breathing. And I couldn't breathe. I couldn't read.

Myth
If I hadn't been dyslexic... I would have relied on reading other people's words and not creating my own.

Myth
My dyslexic thinking means I don't just think outside the box... I think outside the planet.

Myth
By speaking confidently I've able to make up for my weaknesses. The microphone found me and I heard it every morning.

Myth
Having a learning difference was such great training ground, I see the goal. I'm not going to get there on anyone else's path, but I will get there.

Myth
If you want to be the best at what you do, be unapologetic about wanting to learn.

Dyslexia exists on a continuum... both the advantages and disadvantages

Dyslexia often travels with friends...

- Dyscalculia** (Difficulty with math)
- Dysgraphia** (Difficulty with writing)
- ADHD** (Difficulty with attention)

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Books for Kids

- PIG TREE* by Lydia Millet
- SLATER: ILLUSTRATOR* by Aaron Slater
- Thank you, Mr. Falkner* by Patricia Polacco

Books for Adults

- OVERCOMING DYSLLEXIA* by Sally Sheehan
- THE DYSLLEXIC ADVANTAGE* by Sally Sheehan
- The Dyslexia Empowerment Plan* by Richard L. Bird
- SQUID* by Proust

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- Kate Spade

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- J.P. Moreau

1 IN 5
people have signs of Dyslexia
THAT'S A FEW KIDS IN EVERY CLASSROOM

Kids with dyslexia are just as smart as their peers
DYSLEXIA IS UNRELATED TO INTELLIGENCE

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- Joshua King

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- Nigella Arden-Powell

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- Robert Pitts

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- Thomas Carter

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