

Lesson plan



Resources

- Presentation
- Quiz
- Activity plan
- Additional downloads

Learning activity

- Explore myths associated with dyslexia
- Develop understanding of the true features of dyslexia

Learners should be able to say:

- I am aware of the facts about dyslexia and have taken part in activities to dispel myths
- I can identify a reliable source of information on dyslexia

Learning intentions

- Develop understanding of what dyslexia is
- Develop an understanding of myths about dyslexia
- Use the information resources to create a piece of media

Success criteria

- Learners can correctly identify myths and truths about dyslexia
- Learners create a piece of media that reinforces facts about dyslexia

Opportunities for discussion and reflection

- How dyslexia affects us and our peers
- Why dispelling myths is important
- Where we can go to learn the truth (Dyslexia Scotland)
- What I have learned from the session

Opportunities for assessment

- Quiz - can be completed as a before and after baseline and measure or after the presentation
- Creative media - can identify whether a fact has been used correctly

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Context

Dyslexia Awareness Week Scotland is an annual campaign to increase understanding of dyslexia, how it affects people and where to go for support. The national week is led by charity Dyslexia Scotland.

Activity

1. Deliver the presentation

Use the Busting Myths presentation to share some common beliefs about dyslexia. The notes on the slides are a script to guide a group discussion and activity – to encourage learners to say whether they think the statements are truth or myth before revealing the answer. Each slide provides an opportunity for group discussion.

2. Do the Interactive quiz

There is a quiz you can use with learners individually or in teams. You can use the quiz as a baseline and measure of learning – or after the presentation only, to identify what myths still need to be busted in the group. Choose which questions will suit your learners. Link to the interactive quiz: <https://dyslexiascotland.org.uk/dyslexia-awareness-week> or download the PDF from the website.

3. Do the creative activity - help bust the myths

Conclude the session with a creative brief. Learners can work individually or in groups to produce a piece of creative content that reinforces the facts about dyslexia in the presentation.

Suggested media: poster; comic art; news article; podcast; short-form video.

4. Share your work:

Learners can send their completed work to Dyslexia Scotland at:

<https://dyslexiascotland.org.uk/tell-your-story>

Educators can share a reflection on the lesson at:

<https://dyslexiascotland.org.uk/be-a-changemaker>

We'll publish our favourite submissions.

Additional resources

Find more ideas, downloads and materials to incorporate in your lesson plan or Dyslexia Awareness Week Scotland activities at <https://dyslexiascotland.org.uk/dyslexia-awareness-week>

These include:

- a printable fact book
- shareable digital assets >>>>



BUSTING

MYTHS

Idea: Learners can also use the presentation as a peer education session, inter-generational activity or school assembly presentation.

