

How does Dyscalculia affect maths?



Dyscalculia is a condition that affects the ability to acquire arithmetical skills.

Children with dyscalculia often struggle with:

- The learning and recalling of number facts
- Using rules and procedures to build on known facts
- Estimating
- Intuitive grasp of number facts
- Mastering the concept of number preservation
- Ability to recognise patterns on objects such as dice or groups of counters
- Explaining a method

How to support your child at home with dyscalculia:

- Be distraction free when working at home
- Use resources they are familiar with
- Play memory games such as Kim's game, or use skip counting for times tables
- Break word problems into smaller steps
- Use coloured pens to highlight key information
- Use posters to help knowledge
- More short regular practice is better than long sessions
- Get the child to talk it through with your support

Above all else be positive and encourage all attempts.

Useful Books

