

Developmental Language Disorder (DLD)

(may affect around 1% of the general population, to some degree)

Key characteristics:

- a difficulty with acquiring a first language - both understanding and speaking
- a smaller vocabulary than is typical
- a preference for simple sentences and grammatical constructions
- difficulty with semantic classification and relationships
- phonological processing difficulties

For more information and support, see

- [ELT well](#)
- [Raising Awareness of Developmental Language Disorder \(RADLD\)](#)

