

Dyscalculia

(may affect about 5% of the general population, to some degree)

Key characteristics:

- a weak sense of numerical concepts, including 0, place values, relative values / size / magnitude and time scales
- difficulty with sequencing (especially counting backwards, counting in intervals etc)
- difficulty estimating, or judging whether a given result could be 'in the right ball park'
- a reliance on concrete objects to judge amounts and quantities, rather than imagining abstract quantity
- difficulty with complex procedures, especially those involved in mathematical calculations

Organisations that offer information and support

- [ELT well](#)
- [The British Dyslexia Association](#)
- [Steve Chinn](#)

