



If you hire an Educational Psychologist to test your child, or anyone else who is **NOT** on our list, it is important to ensure they have the correct training to properly test for dyslexia. Here's one way to find out.

Questions to ask BEFORE hiring someone to test your child for dyslexia.

Inspired by the excellent book:

“Parenting A Struggling Reader” by Susan L. Hall & Louisa C. Moats

Before you hire someone, learn more about the testing process.

To do that, go to: www.dys-add.com/getHelp.html#anchorTesting

When you call an Educational Psychologist, ask:

- 1) Dyslexia is described in 8 pages in the new DSM-5. Have you read those pages?
- 2) Do you give the types of tests needed to tell dyslexia apart from a Learning Disability?
- 3) If so, will your written report state that my child has dyslexia -- if that is what the tests reveal?
- 4) Where did you get trained to do this?
 - a. How many years of experience do you have diagnosing dyslexia?
- 5) What does the term Dyslexia mean to you?
- 6) What are some of the tests you will use?
- 7) What do you charge for testing a child?
- 8) What is the process like? How long will it take?
- 9) Will you meet with us when the testing is done and explain the results?
- 10) Will you be able to refer us to an appropriate and qualified tutor?
 - a. How do you know the tutor is qualified?
- 11) Will you provide a written report as part of your fee?
 - a. What will be in that report?



- 12) If my child has dyslexia that is not severe enough to qualify for an IEP, will your report still state dyslexia?
 - a. And will your recommendations section be written with legal terminology to help me get a 504 Plan at my child's public school?
- 13) Will you meet with my child's teacher(s) and explain the results?
 - a. Is that included in your fee?
 - b. If not, what would you charge?
- 14) Can you provide me with a list of references -- parents who have hired you to test their child?

If the answers you receive are confusing to you, feel free to contact Susan Barton at Bright Solutions for Dyslexia for clarification or advice.

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