

## Free Dyscalculia Fact Sheet

Dyscalculia is a little-known condition, which affects the ability of children to acquire arithmetical skills. Children with the condition may have difficulty understanding simple number concepts, lack an intuitive grasp of numbers and have problems learning number facts and procedures.

Between 3% and 7% of local school children could have Dyscalculia, say experts. Of those children diagnosed as dyslexic, about 40% - 60% are also dyscalculic, according to one of the UK's foremost authorities on dyslexia.

Often a child will be performing in maths below the expected level and for no obvious reason. They will seem to be underachieving in comparison with their potential or with their ability in other subjects.

Parents are not very aware of the condition. Most of the emphasis in the media is on related conditions like dyslexia and ADHD.

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