

COULD IT BE LANGUAGE?



Children with Developmental Language Disorder (DLD) have significant, on-going difficulties understanding and/or using language which can affect their behaviour and progress at school.

What are the signs of DLD?

Children with DLD may struggle with...



PROCESSING LANGUAGE



listening to, understanding, remembering what others say



FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS

especially if long or containing abstract concepts/complex vocabulary



VOCABULARY



understanding and using words accurately



GRAMMAR

understanding and using grammar (spoken and written), getting words in the correct order with the correct tenses



EXPRESSING IDEAS



saying how they feel, telling a story, explaining their ideas



ASKING AND ANSWERING QUESTIONS

may not talk much in class discussions



MATHS

particularly with word problems and topics with a heavy language load



READING

understanding what is happening in a story/narrative/factual text



LITERACY

understanding and using sounds for spelling and reading (phonological awareness)



SOCIAL INTERACTION

using language in social situations/making and maintaining friendships



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