WHERE TO GO FOR DYSLEXIA ASSESSMENT

SCREENING
Waltham Forest Dyslexia Association offers computer screening for dyslexia using software from LUCID which provides an indication if the person has dyslexia and on what level. We also screen for coloured overlays. This is suitable for adults and children. It is available on Monday evenings in term time and at other times by arrangement. There is a charge of £45 for children and £55 for adults. However, concessionary fees are available. WFDA do not want anybody to be unable to access our screening service because of cost. If you are unemployed, in full time education, on benefits, on a low income or are not able to afford the full cost, please discuss this at the time of booking the screening.

We can also visit schools to provide a one-day, block booking of a maximum of 4 students at a charge of £60 per student (maximum £240). This price may increase for schools outside of Waltham Forest.

To make an appointment for a screening please contact our Class Co-ordinator, Sheena Penfold on 07852 232509 or email her at sheena@wfda.org.uk

FULL ASSESSMENT
Waltham Forest Dyslexia Association does not recommend assessors, it is up to individuals to ask for qualifications, references, etc. but the following is a potential list if you require a more detailed assessment:

Assessments can be done by both teachers and psychologists. A teacher assessment is usually a bit cheaper and is particularly suitable for identifying the learning needs of a student. A psychologist is useful where there are complex needs, there is conflict with a local authority, you are considering going to appeal, or for adults in the workplace.

If you are having an assessment in order to apply for the Disabled Student Allowance (DSA) you must ensure that the assessor has up to date knowledge and experience of applying for the DSA. In the case of a teacher assessor they must hold a current Practising Certificate. The assessment would need to be done post-16.

PLACES OFFERING BOTH TEACHER AND PSYCHOLOGIST ASSESSMENTS

Avon House Dyslexia Centre (020 8559 0708)
492 High Road, WOODFORD GREEN, Essex, IG8 0PN
Offers specialist teacher assessments for children (approx £450) or assessments by a chartered psychologist (Dr Claire Zabell) for children and adults (approx £500+)

For adults: Dyslexia Assessment & Consultancy
41 Cardigan Street, Kennington, London, SE11 5PF
Tel: 020 7582 6117 Fax: 020 7587 0546
Their services include assessments, tuition and employment support. Their website includes checklists for dyslexia, dyspraxia and attention deficit disorder.

http://www.workingwithdyslexia.com

PSYCHOLOGIST ASSESSMENTS

Dr David McLoughlin (General enquiries: 0207 388 8744 Assessments: 0207 383 3724) David is an educational and occupational psychologist based in London. He has many years' experience as a practitioner in both these fields. He is a visiting professor at the University of Buckingham and now works with the Independent Dyslexia Consultants, Second Floor, 1-7 Woburn Walk, WC1H 0JJ (near Tavistock Square, close to Euston Station) They run courses and services for employers and employees in the workplace; and for children. Check their website and phone for further details. email: info@dyslexia-idc.org website: www.dyslexia-idc.org

Neuropartnerships is ‘a group of Chartered Psychologists and other professionals specialising in a variety of related disciplines. We provide assessment and support for people concerned about learning disabilities, including dyslexia, dyspraxia and different forms of autism’. They also run the Barnet Autism and Dyslexia Support Group for adults. The Old Coach House, King Street Mews, London, N2 8EQ www.neuropartnerships.com Tel: 020 8883 2121

Kensington Dyslexia Teaching Centre sometimes offer bursaries for assessments with Educational Psychologists. Tel: 020 7361 4790 www.dyslexiateachingcentre.co.uk

Dyslexia Action - London Centre 2 Grosvenor Gardens, London SW1W 0DH 0207 7308890 Offers psychological assessment for children and adults

Kate Dungey is a chartered educational psychologist who offers independent educational psychology consultation, assessment, reports and representation at appeal for statutory assessment. She has worked extensively with all age groups from 2 years to adult. 73 Ox Lane, Harpenden, Hertfordshire, AL5 4PH 01582 624544 katedungey@hotmail.com

Lesley Jacob is a Chartered Educational Psychologist and member of Health Professional Council. She is based in Islington and assesses from 7 years up to any age (£350 but the fee is negotiable). Tel: 020 7607 0045
TEACHER ASSESSMENTS

**Bloomfield Centre**: based at Guys Hospital, a specialist assessment and teaching unit for children 6-16 years. Assessments £150 – 250 (full accredited teacher assessments).
Tel: 020 3228 9766/7  Email: priti@blearning.biz  www.blearning.biz

**Mrs Lois Hood** is a qualified Dyslexia Assessor and Tutor (up to 19) (£250), London E11, 07815 800629, email: loishood@hotmail.co.uk

**Mrs Mary Fox** is a qualified Dyslexia Assessor and Tutor (up to 19) (£250) Loughton, 020 8989 0087, email: marymajellafox@aol.com

**Lesley Bridges** is a qualified assessor for adults (£295 last info)
Half Acre, Fox Road, Mashbury, Essex, CM1 4TJ
Phone 07789 515739 / 01245 231570
E-mail: l.bridges@operamail.com or l.bridges@qmul.ac.uk

**Marisa Sedgewick** is a qualified assessor for adults. She lives in Romford and is willing to travel to assess in someone’s home, evenings and Saturdays. (£350)
tel 07956 420929 email mgsedgwick@hotmail.co.uk

**Saran Feldman** is a qualified assessor for ages up to 16 (£400). She is based in Hackney. 020 8533 7030, email: saranfeldman@gmail.com

**Ms Elizabeth Gentilcore** is a Dyslexia Specialist Teacher who also offers teacher assessments
Leytonstone, E11, 020 8928 0183

**Mrs Pamela Martin** is a Dyslexia Specialist Teacher who also offers assessments
Highams Park, E4, 020 8527 4711

ON LINE TESTS

There is an online test available via the BDA website called ‘SPOT’. This costs £29.99 and is suitable for age 15 plus - (http://www.spot-your-potential.com/index.htm)

Also on the BDA website is an adult dyslexia checklist (http://www.bda dyslexia.org.uk/about-dyslexia/adults-and-business/i-think-i-might-be-dyslexic.html) This might be a good place to start.

For assessors in other areas of London and further afield you could contact Patoss (the professional association of teachers of students with specific learning difficulties). They have an index of tutors and assessors.
Patoss, PO box 10, Evesham, Worcs, WR11 1ZW Tel: 01386 712650
email: patoss@sworcs.ac.uk  Website: www.patoss-dyslexia.org

This is our most up to date list but it depends on information supplied to us, which may not now be accurate.