

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Patoss, the Professional Association of Teachers of Students with Specific Learning Difficulties, was formed in 1987 and remains the only professional organisation for teachers in the field of SpLD. Through annual conferences, local groups and publications it works to maintain high standards of knowledge and skills among members, monitoring developments in the areas of research into dyslexia and related disorders, teaching methods and resources.

Patoss aims to promote links with all sectors of education and other professionals with an interest in SpLD. The Association welcomes membership applications from suitably qualified professionals working with learners of any age and at any stage of education or training.

Patoss offers:

- Index of Tutors; Resources List; Membership Handbook
- Legal Helpline run by specialists
- Professional Indemnity Insurance as a benefit for suitably qualified persons
- Regular Newsletters and Bulletins
- Other publications relevant to the field of SpLD
- Web Site linked to other organisations offering help, advice or equipment for dyslexics and teachers; a Bulletin Board open to all
- Annual Conference
- CPD Training
- Professional advice on a range of SpLD topics
- Individual membership and Corporate membership for schools, colleges and other organisations with an interest in SpLD

Patoss Aims:

- To establish and maintain the professional status of those qualified to teach students with Specific Learning Difficulties.
- To promote fuller understanding and recognition of SpLD.
- To give a professional corporate response to the department for Education and Skills (DfES) on matters affecting SpLD students.
- To enable members to update and extend their knowledge and skills and to exchange ideas through an annual association conference, bulletins and local groups.
- To promote the continued provision and development of appropriate specialist qualifications in the teaching of students with SpLD.
- To promote links with teachers working with SpLD students in all sectors of education.
- To promote links with other professionals involved in the field of SpLD.
- To maintain a register of the members of the Association.

We welcome new members and hope that you will apply to join

To apply for membership of Patoss, please complete the application form and return to

The Membership Secretary

Patoss Ltd, PO Box 10, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 1ZW

**Please ensure that the correct membership fee and copies
of your certificate(s) or pass slip(s) are included.
All cheques should be made payable to Patoss Ltd.**

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

Please read carefully before completing the Application Form

◆Full Member (F)

Individuals who hold a specialist qualification approved by the Board in the **teaching and assessment** of people with Specific Learning Difficulties shall be known as Full Members.

Approved qualifications shall be at least at post graduate level or equivalent or be accredited by the British Dyslexia Association (BDA) for Associate Membership of the British Dyslexia Association (AMBDA) or recognised by SpLD Assessment Standards Committee (SASC). These individuals are qualified to provide diagnostic assessments and teach people with Specific Learning Difficulties.

Full Members may apply for the Practising Certificate. Full members must carry Professional Indemnity Insurance (PII) to be included in the Index of Tutors and Assessors.

Full Membership entitles the member to full voting rights at Annual General Meetings, the option to carry Professional Indemnity Insurance (PII), the option to be included in the Index of Tutors and Assessors, plus the range of PATOSS publications, reduced fees to PATOSS national conference and local events, access to the Legal Helpline and a range of other PATOSS services.

Annual subscription - £60.00 or £81.25 (insurance option)*

***This amount is paid directly to Patoss. Those joining as Full Members (F) will receive information about the Professional Indemnity Insurance cover and a proposal form from the Insurers then a further amount, currently £78.75 (£75 insurance premium + £3.75 insurance premium tax), will be payable directly to the insurers.**

◆Associate Member (A)

Individuals who hold a specialist qualification approved by the Board in the **teaching** of people with Specific Learning Difficulties shall be known as Associate Members.

Approved qualifications shall be recognised by the British Dyslexia Association (BDA) for BDA Approved Teacher Status (BDA ATS). These individuals are qualified to teach and assess for establishing and reviewing a teaching programme for people with Specific Learning Difficulties.

Associate members included in the Index of Tutors and Assessors must carry Professional Indemnity Insurance (PII).

Associate Membership gives the member the option to carry Professional Indemnity Insurance (PII), the option to be included in the Index of Tutors and Assessors. Associate membership entitles the members to a range of PATOSS publications, reduced fees to PATOSS national conferences and local events, access to the Legal Helpline and a range of other PATOSS services. Associate Membership does not entitle the member to voting rights at Annual General Meetings.

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◆Affiliate Professional Member (AP)

Individuals who have an allied professional qualification (not SpLD) and have a professional involvement in Specific Learning Difficulties shall be known as Affiliate Professional Members. Affiliate Professional Members could be, for example, an Educational, Clinical or Chartered Psychologist, Speech and Language Therapist, Occupational Therapist.

This membership entitles the member to a range of PATOSS publications, reduced fees to PATOSS national conferences and local events, access to the Legal Helpline and a range of other PATOSS services. Affiliate Professional Membership does not entitle the member to voting rights at Annual General Meetings.

Affiliate Professional Members are not entitled to Professional Indemnity Insurance (PII).

Annual subscription - £50.00

◆Student Member (S)

Individuals who are students registered on a course leading to a specialist qualification approved by the Board in the teaching or assessing of people with Specific Learning Difficulties shall be known as Student Members. This membership is available for a period of 2 years for the initial qualifying SpLD course.

This membership entitles the member to a range of PATOSS publications, reduced fees to PATOSS national conferences and local events, access to the Legal Helpline and a range of other PATOSS services. Student Membership does not entitle the member to voting rights at Annual General Meetings.

Student Members are not entitled to Professional Indemnity Insurance (PII) and do not appear in the Index of Tutors and Assessors.

Annual subscription - £40.00

◆Supporting Member (SP)

Individuals who do not meet any of the above criteria but do, however, have an interest in SpLD and wish to support the aims and activities of PATOSS shall be known as Supporting Members.

Supporting Members are entitled to a range of PATOSS publications, reduced fees to PATOSS national conferences and local events access to the Legal Helpline and a range of other PATOSS services. Supporting Membership does not entitle the member to voting rights at Annual General Meetings.

Supporting Members are not entitled to Professional Indemnity Insurance (PII) and do not appear in the Index of Tutors and Assessors.

Annual subscription - £40.00

◆Corporate Member (C)

Schools, Colleges and Universities, dyslexia associations and other organisations acceptable to the Board shall be known as Corporate Members.

Corporate Members are entitled to a range of PATOSS publications, reduced fees to PATOSS national conferences and local events for two individuals, and a range of other PATOSS services.

Corporate Members are not entitled to Professional Indemnity Insurance (PII) and do not appear in the Index of Tutor and Assessors. Corporate Membership does not entitle the member to voting rights at Annual General Meetings.

Corporate Members, as such, cannot apply for SpLD Assessment Practising Certificates (SpLD APC). (SpLD APCs are available with individual membership only.)

Annual subscription - £125.00

◆Overseas Member

Overseas Membership is available for all membership categories.

Overseas Members are entitled to the range of PATOSS publications, reduced fees to PATOSS national conferences and local events. Overseas Members are **NOT** covered by PATOSS Professional Indemnity Insurance or the Legal Helpline.

Overseas Membership costs the membership fee quoted for the appropriate level as noted above PLUS an additional £25.00 sterling to cover postage and handling charges.

Publications by Patoss

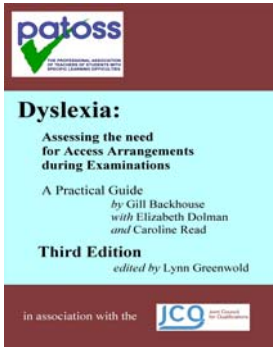
Dyslexia:

Assessing the need for Access Arrangements during Examinations A Practical Guide - Third Edition

by Gill Backhouse
with Elizabeth Dolman and Caroline Read
edited by Lynn Greenwold

ISBN 0-9539315-3-6

£7.50 + p & p – Price to Members £6.50 + p & p



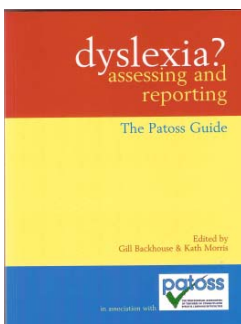
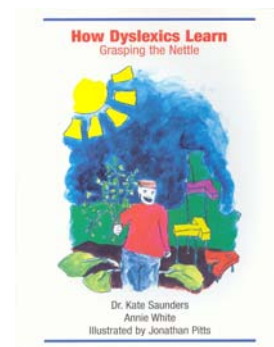
Published in association with the Joint Council for Qualifications. The 3rd edition replaces the earlier editions of this valuable book. It provides a 'how to' guide for the entire area of assessing candidates for examination access arrangements.

An essential resource for everyone involved in assessing students with specific learning difficulties for examination access arrangements.

How Dyslexics Learn -Grasping the Nettle by Dr Kate Saunders & Annie White ISBN 0-9539315-1-X £19.95 + p & p

Recognising learning strengths is a key element to successful teaching. This book concentrates on the successful strategies dyslexics have used and the positive traits associated with dyslexic learners.

Written to be easily understood by teachers of dyslexic learners, other professionals working in the field, non-specialist teachers, parents and adult dyslexics it avoids technical jargon. The excellent colour illustrations help bring to life the multimemory techniques described in this refreshing resource.



Dyslexia? Assessing & Reporting The Patoss Guide

edited by Backhouse & Morris

ISBN 0-340-90019-9

£17.50 + p & p Price to Members £15.50 + p & p

Edited by former chief and assistant chief verifiers for the OCR (formerly RSA), this book aims to reflect the best practice of teachers and related professionals who assess learners for Specific Learning Difficulties from early years to further and higher education.

Although the purposes of assessment may vary, the principles of good practice remain constant. Assessment should always promote a positive outcome and **never** be limited to discovering and labelling 'failings'. As long ago as 1968 Ausubel pointed out:

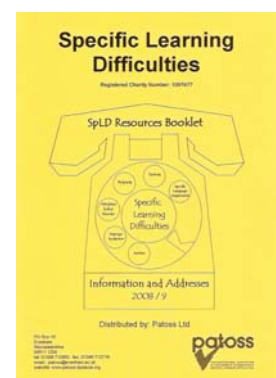
"The most important single factor influencing learning is what the learner already knows."

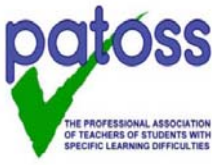
This is just as true today. Find it and teach accordingly.

Publication by Patoss in support of a Charitable Trust

SpLD Resources Booklet (Charity) Charity Number 1097477

The SpLD Resources Charity is administered by Patoss as a Charitable Trust. The objects of the Charity are to promote the relief of young people and adults with specific learning difficulties by producing and printing a resources booklet to provide information and advice to help parents, carers and professionals working with such young people and adults. The booklet can be obtained from Patoss at a cost of £5 including postage and packing. All proceeds go directly to the Charity. Also downloadable from The Patoss website.





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Becoming a member of Patoss will indicate that you have read and agree to abide by the Patoss Code of Ethics. If you have not received this, please look at our web site www.patoss-dyslexia.org or contact the Patoss Office to request a copy.

*Please give your preferred contact details
Remember to use the same details in all correspondence with **Patoss** (eg. booking forms, etc.)*

NAME:

ADDRESS:

POST CODE:

TEL:

EMAIL:

Please give details below of dates/course title/centre/qualification gained and **enclose copies of relevant qualifications with your application**. Please note we are unable to process your membership application without these copies. A Pass Slip will be accepted if you have not yet received your certificate/diploma.

WHAT AGE RANGE DO YOU WORK WITH? Primary Secondary FE HE Adult/Workplace
WHERE DID YOU HEAR ABOUT PATOSS: Colleague Website Conference/Event Publication
Other

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Self-Employed Employed by:
BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF YOUR CURRENT POSITION AND ROLE WITHIN YOUR PLACE OF WORK:

CORPORATE MEMBERS INCLUDE DESCRIPTION OF CORPORATE ACTIVITIES / INVOLVEMENT IN DYSLEXIA / SPLD SERVICES / AND YOUR WEBSITE ADDRESS:

REGISTRATION FOR THE INDEX OF TUTORS [open to Full Members and Associate Members only] Please note that you will **only** appear in the Index of Tutors if you register. All Full and Associate Members must carry Professional Indemnity Insurance cover to be listed in the Index. PLEASE COMPLETE EVERY SECTION. [All contact details given above will be included in the Tutor Index.]

AGE RANGE/S YOU PREFER TO TUTOR: Primary Secondary FE HE Adult/Workplace
OR FOR ASSOCIATE MEMBERS, THE AGE RANGE YOU ARE QUALIFIED TO TUTOR:

WILL YOU ASSESS AS WELL AS TEACH? Yes No

DO YOU PROVIDE: Tuition Study Skills Maths
Full Diagnostic Assessments Assessments for Access Arrangements
Assessment for Establishing/Reviewing and Teaching Programme

OTHER SPECIALITIES:

I (please print your name) of

(please print your address, if different from above)

apply for membership of Patoss, the Professional Association of Teachers of Students with Specific Learning Difficulties, a company limited by guarantee.

I undertake to contribute such amount as may be required [not exceeding £1.00 (one pound)] to the assets of the Company if it should be wound up while I am a member, for payment of the Company's debts and liabilities contracted before I cease to be a member, and of the costs, charges and expenses of winding up, and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributories among ourselves.

SIGNED: **DATE:**



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Please indicate the category of membership for which you are applying –

- Full Member **£60.00**
- Full Member (with Insurance Option) **£81.25**
- Associate Member **£60.00**
- Associate Member (with Insurance Option) **£81.25**
- Affiliate Professional Member **£50.00**
- Student Member **£40.00**
- Supporting Member **£40.00**
- Corporate Member **£125.00**
- Overseas Members please add surcharge of £25.00**

OFFICE USE ONLY	
DATE RECD:	MSHIP NO:
AMOUNT RECD:	PAYMENT METHOD:

Payment by Cheque / Credit or Debit Card

I enclose a cheque for £ payable to **Patoss Ltd**

Please debit my MasterCard / Visa / Delta / Switch Maestro / Other

Card no:

Start date: Expiry date: Switch Maestro Issue no:

Signature: Date:

Instruction to your Bank or Building Society to pay by Direct Debit

Please complete the whole form using a ball point pen and return to: **Patoss Ltd, PO Box 10, Evesham, Worcs WR11 1ZW**

Name and Address of your Bank or Building Society

Originator's Identification Number:



To The Manager	Bank/Building Society
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Post Code	

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Reference (for office use only)

Branch Sort Code

Bank/Building Society account number

Instruction to your Bank or Building Society

Please pay Patoss Ltd Direct Debits from the account detailed in this instruction, subject to the safeguards assured by the Direct Debit Guarantee. I understand that this instruction may remain with Patoss Ltd and, if so, the details will be passed electronically to my Bank/Building Society.

Name(s) of account holder(s)

Signature(s)

Date

Banks and Building Societies may not accept Direct Debit instructions for some types of accounts

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This guarantee should be detached and retained by the Payer

The Direct Debit Guarantee



- The Guarantee is offered by all Banks and Building Societies that take part in the Direct Debit Scheme. The efficiency and security of the Scheme is monitored and protected by your own Bank or Building Society.
- If the amounts to be paid or the payment dates change Patoss Ltd will notify you 10 working days in advance of your account being debited or as otherwise agreed.
- If an error is made by Patoss Ltd or your bank or Building Society you are guaranteed a full and immediate refund from your branch of the amount paid.
- You can cancel a Direct debit at any time by writing to your Bank or Building Society. Please also send a copy of your letter to us.