



Top Tips for teaching pupils with SpLD

1. Know who they are, and what their difficulties are.
2. Sit them where you can see them.
3. Write a lesson guide on the board.
4. Provide an individual lesson guide = A4 sheet + poly pocket
5. Only make pupils do things that really count.
6. Don't talk and write at the same time.
7. Type up new words & phrases, explanations, answers.
8. Tell them EXACTLY where to file their notes and how they can be used.
9. Put names & deadlines, rooms, etc. on HW sheets.
10. Make spare copies and put in box in the classroom.
11. Set HW deadline the day before you really want it!
12. Make vocabulary available to pre-teach.
13. Double up on resources: 1 for school, 1 for home.
14. Reduce the quantity you ask for, not the quality.
15. Reduce the amount of written work, esp. vocab copying.
16. Only make pupils use a (book) dictionary when necessary.
17. Use a blank Word document, rather than writing on whiteboard, or use phone to take a copy of notes on board.
18. Send email reminders re deadlines.
19. Allow use of ICT wherever possible – self-esteem, organisation.
20. Prepare LOs to stick in.
21. Pair pupils up with buddies who are stronger in certain areas.
22. Try using coloured overlays.
23. Use wide-lined exercise books (with coloured pages?)
24. Praise the positives and effort.