

What research is being done into dyslexia and language learning?

There is a lot of research among the international academic community into the effects of dyslexia on first language development and second language learning. The results of studies are published in several academic journals, such as 'Dyslexia'. Organisations such as the British Dyslexia Association and the European Dyslexia Association hold conferences where research is presented and discussed.

There is also a lot of smaller-scale research going on in classrooms, undertaken by teachers and assessors who want to explore issues that impact on their practice. Every year **ELT well** holds a '*Research Round-up*' Day, where researchers who would not normally have a forum can share their work with like-minded colleagues.

ELT well currently has two research studies underway. One is an ongoing project to determine what English proficiency level is required for the standardised (English language) dyslexia assessments to be useful. The other is a survey of the support available to international students studying in UK universities. The results of these studies will be made available via the **ELT well** website, as they become available.