

Identify the 23 Most Common Symptoms of Poor Readers

Learn exactly what the symptoms look like when your child has a reading processing problem, and take the first step to correct their poor reading.

Congratulations on downloading the **Identify the 23 Most Common Symptoms of Poor Readers** checklist.

Our checklist reveals the reading processing problems that prevent children from progressing in school. There are common symptoms that children with poor reading skills are known to exhibit.

By recognizing these 23 symptoms in a child, parents can address underlying reading processing problems. Identify these common symptoms early, and start addressing these problems.

This checklist comes from the experts at the [USA Reading Clinic](#)—a home-based and software supported training program designed for children.

At [USA Reading Clinic](#), we use scientifically-proven, personalized, and downloadable technology to improve children's reading skills. We train them to start reading with fluency, comprehension, and enjoyment.

For your child, that means discovering a new love for reading.

And for you, that means no more wasted time, money, and effort on no-impact and frustrating reading programs. Start by recognizing these 23 common symptoms:

Symptom #1: Slow Laborious Reading

When your child exhibits excess effort to get through a passage of text, this is a common symptom of a reading processing problem. Labored reading is an obvious sign of a processing problem.

Symptom #2: Slow Reading And Behind Everyone Else

Compare your child's reading to other readers at his grade level. Their speed and effort should be comparable to the other children. If you notice that your child is not keeping pace, this is a symptom to which you should pay attention. Falling behind their peers in their speed of reading is often the first symptom that's recognized.

Symptom #3: Forgetting What Was Just Read

Recalling passage details is evidence of good reading comprehension. And reading comprehension is a key metric to indicate their level of literacy. This symptom is usually discovered during homework and quizzes, when answers are drawn from memory.

This can also lead parents to assume other causes are the source of the problem. But a reading processing problem is often the root cause of such memory failures.

[USA Reading Clinic](#), of course, can help you identify and correct every symptom by utilizing personalized training technologies to enhance your child's reading proficiency.

However, identifying the symptom is only the first step to fixing your child's reading processing problem. After you do that, you'll need to reach out to USA Reading Clinic to start using a personalized training program to boost your child's reading level.

Symptom #4: Mind Wandering When Reading

Sometimes your child's mind may drift in the middle of reading when there is a processing problem. An inability to engage with the words and their meanings shows that there's been a disconnect in the mind. And when the mind is no longer following the logical progression of the passage, it will start wandering.

Symptom #5: Needing to Re-Read Frequently

Similar to the inability to retain or understand what they're reading, re-reading is your child's attempt to start the "logic chain." As your child reads, they add information and context to a passage. Whenever the logical progression of these added pieces of information becomes too confusing, they attempt to "refresh" by starting over.

Symptom #6: Moving Head When Reading

Often, a child's mind will want to seamlessly track the words in a passage. Unfortunately, a reading processing problem slows their progress, if not bringing it to a complete stop. Their natural instinct might be to continue "pushing" forward through the passage. Or it could just be a delay tactic that's become a habit. Head movement is a sign of a processing problem.

Symptom #7: Using Finger When Reading

This is also a technique associated with tracking, because it provides sensory support. The finger also allows them to break the passage down word by word. As your child reads and tracks the words, it helps them focus. Without their finger-tracking tactic, your child may need to read even slower, or even lose their place on the page.

Symptom #8: Disliking Reading

When your child resists reading on their own, or out loud, they obviously dislike reading. Not only are they missing out on any educational and entertainment value, but a reading processing problem makes reading "intense labor." Children's literature is created specifically for their enjoyment, but the reading processing problem stops any enjoyment.

Symptom #9: Avoiding Reading

This is also closely related to developing a dislike for reading. The avoidance of reading is a symptom of a problem, especially when it's chronic and consistent. For instance, poorly developed neural processing causes constant discomfort when reading. Until these processing problems are addressed, your child will always avoid reading.

Symptom #10: Becoming Tired and Sleepy

Exercising and doing chores requires physical effort, but reading takes mental and emotional tolls. Your child will naturally become tired and sleep when they are exerting a lot of effort and energy. Poor processing causes them to use excess energy which causes them to tire out sooner, and even become sleepy.

Symptom #11: Confusing the Order of Letters

The fundamentals of reading and writing can be compromised by a poorly developed reading process. Something as basic as letter ordering could be causing your child's reading problem. If they have developed directionality skills, they simply need to be corrected through a specific re-training program.

Want to skip the hassle of trying to figure out which reading enhancement program really works?

Luckily, **USA Reading Clinic** takes care of the **training** process for you—no more wondering how to actually help your child.

Our proven software shows you exactly how to enhance your child's love for reading. Simple!

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Symptom #12: Reversing and Substituting Letters

Children are naturally creative, so they might develop their own method of "reading." Whatever it takes to get through the passage, could be mindset. They use techniques that they are calling reading, but are simply their way of making sense of the reading process. Ultimately, they do things like reverse and substitute letters indicating a problem.

Symptom #13: Skipping Words While Reading

When you **listen to your child read**, they should not consistently be skipping words. Every once in a while, it's to be expected, but when it happens 3 - 4 times a page, it's a symptom of a reading processing problem. This is usually the result of inaccurate tracking skills.

Symptom #14: Inserting Words While Reading

This is another attempt by your child to "read" using tactics that make sense to them. They will insert words that are not in the text, because their brain is attempting to understand what it does

not. Poor neural wiring in the brain takes training to overcome, but until then your child may continue to insert words to make sense of a passage.

Symptom #15: Losing Place During Reading

Once again, tracking the words on the page is a common problem. Losing their place when reading is because of poor fixation skills. Even if they're reading the individual words correctly, they're not technically "reading," because they don't understand. It's also much easier to become lost in words and lose their place.

Symptom #16: Holding Materials Very Close

There can be a variety of reasons why your child is holding their reading materials very close. Vision and concentration are just a couple. But if your child never seems able to relax while reading, and reading causes tension and stress, this is a common symptom of a reading processing problem.

Symptom #17: Decreasing Comprehension

When your child loses focus while reading, it's often due to poor processing skill. The result is that their reading comprehension will decrease over time. The longer they are reading, the harder it will be to rely on memory and their comprehension.

Symptom #18: Short Attention Span

This is another problem with keeping children with reading processing problems engaged with the material. It's easier for your child to lose focus when they're having difficulty comprehending, or **when** reading is requiring too much effort.

Symptom #19: Frequent Signs of Frustration

Sometimes the most obvious symptom of the reading processing problem is an outward display of emotion. Your child may be having trouble coping with their underdeveloped abilities. These signs of frustration can become more apparent after other coping techniques are proven inaccurate and taken away..

Symptom #20: Reversal of Words and Numbers

Reversal of words and numbers is another symptom of poor tracking and fixation skills. If your child has trouble distinguishing words and numbers then they are probably using an incorrect method to cope with their reading processing problem.

Symptom #21: Tension During Reading

Your child's neural reading pathways may be underdeveloped. Without proper re-training of these neural connections, they can become overwhelmed. This quickly turns into tension for your child during reading.

Symptom #22: Abnormal Posture

It should not be a surprise that your child may react physically to an emotional condition. Abnormal posture may be the result of feeling sad, happy, angry, scared, etc. Reading deficiencies can cause your child to be frustrated and insecure which leads them to compensate with abnormal posture.

Symptom #23: Excess Head And Body Movement

This is a habit that easily forms in children dealing with a reading processing problem. Your child may be searching for sensory support while reading. Excess head and body movement is their way of searching for extra sensory support.

These are the 23 most common symptoms that your child has a reading processing problem. If you recognized any of them in your child then you **have taken the first step towards your child's success.**

Your next step to ensure your child's reading success...The USA Reading Clinic!

As you can see, your child's **reading** problems range from very simple to very complex.

Parents have been known to waste years and thousands of dollars trying to help their children fix their reading difficulties.

But thankfully, there's a better way. And that's [USA Reading Clinic](#).

[USA Reading Clinic](#) takes care of finding **the perfect solution for your child's reading struggles** All you have to do is...

1. Call [USA Reading Clinic](#) at 1-800-230-3054
2. A staff member will determine if [The USA Reading Clinic System](#)™ is right for your child
3. USA Reading Clinic customizes your child's downloadable at-home coursework
4. Child begins the reading system, 30 minutes a day, 2-3 times a week
5. YOUR CHILD LOVES TO READ!

Simple, right?

So skip the trial-and-error of finding the right **reading** program.

Instead, let [The USA Reading Clinic System](#)™ correct your child's reading **deficiencies with scientifically clinical proven technology.**

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