

My name is **Emery**. I am 15 years old. I have had to learn to be persistent when facing a challenge. I also have a tendency to think outside the box. I come up with alternative ways to remember how words are spelled, unusual solutions to homework assignments and general problem solving. But more than anything, I have had to learn to be a hard worker and bit of a perfectionist. I am also creative, humorous, imaginative, fun loving, active, fidgety, occasionally pensive, quiet, loud, silly, helpful, energetic, caring, unfortunately quick to anger at times, and very dedicated to my family and friends. Dyslexia presents me with certain challenges, but it also produces many gifts. I have dyslexia.

According to NIH research, of those who are placed in special education for a learning disability, around 80% of those have dyslexia.

