

1 in 5 people have a learning difference
that affects their capacity to read
- just like F. Scott Fitzgerald.

The list on this
card includes
some of the
signs of a
possible learning
difference for
**5th-8th Grade
Children.**



5TH THROUGH 8TH GRADE

- ❑ Student is usually reading below grade level
- ❑ Letter sequences may be reversed: *solid* for *soiled*, *left* for *felt*, *unclear* for *nuclear*
- ❑ May be slow to discern and learn prefixes, suffixes, root words, and other reading/spelling strategies
- ❑ Difficulty with spelling; may spell the same word differently on the same page
- ❑ Avoids reading aloud; avoids reading for pleasure
- ❑ May have difficulty with word (story) problems in math
- ❑ May have illegible handwriting, using an awkward (fist-like) grip or overly tight grip
- ❑ May avoid writing or only write the minimal amount required
- ❑ Slow or poor recall of facts
- ❑ May have difficulty with comprehension
- ❑ May have difficulty making friends and using appropriate behavior/language in social situations
- ❑ May not be able to interpret body language and facial expressions of others
- ❑ May forget to hand in homework, forget to bring it to school, or forget to bring the assignment home
- ❑ May have difficulty with time management, planning, organization
- ❑ May have difficulty learning a foreign language