Towards Inclusive Practice

Including Everyone.

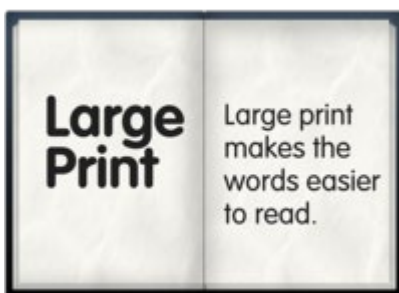A project by: Inclusion Australia

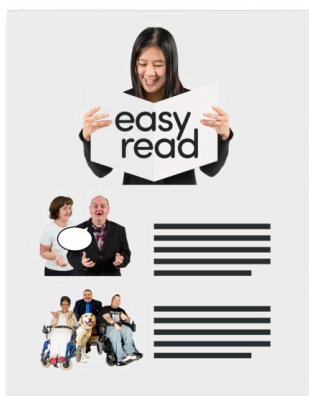# What is Easy Read?

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Easy Read is a way of writing information which is easier for people to read.

It uses short, clear sentences in big writing that are easy to understand.

Easy read uses everyday words.
It does not use jargon and explains all acronyms and technical terms.

Easy Read uses pictures to help people understand the meaning of the words.

Why is Easy Read important?

Everyone has the right to access information.

Easy Read helps people to access the information they need.

Easy Read can help people with an intellectual disability to:

- understand difficult information

- be part of the conversation

- make decisions

Easy Read can be good for:

- People with an intellectual disability

- people who need help reading

- older people

- people who use other languages

- people who are in a hurry!

How do people use Easy Read?

Some people can use Easy Read on their own.

Most people use Easy Read with support to help understand the information.

Easy Read is often used to help talk about a bigger topic with someone else.

People who do not use words to communicate may use the pictures in other ways.

What else can you do to make your information accessible?

It is also important to think about other ways to make sure your information is accessible to people.

For example

- short videos

- animations

- audio information

- podcasts

The work you do to make your information in Easy Read will help you to make other types of accessible information.

Putting Your Information in Easy Read

Putting information into Easy Read is a special skill.

People who use Easy Read every day are best at checking Easy Read information .

Ask organisations you work with if they employ people with an intellectual disability to help make their Easy Read.

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