

Every child has a unique learning style, and each has their strengths and areas of difficulties where support may be needed. When children struggle with learning, it can impact their confidence, self-esteem, social coping, and academic performance. How do you know if your child needs help?

The following are some "warning signs" to look out for. If your child:

- Has difficulties staying focused on work or play.
- Frequently makes careless mistakes.
- Has issues starting on or finishing tasks or projects.
- Has issues completing tests or exams on time
- Is fidgety or restless in his/her seat.
- Interrupts or blurts out things that come to his/her mind.
- Is disorganised.
- Reads slowly and/or has trouble understanding what s/he has read.
- Has a sad or unmotivated approach towards academic tasks.

What can I do?

Should I get my child assessed?

- Comprehensive assessment will help you understand your child's areas of strength and difficulties, and to determine if his/her problems are due to an underlying condition or disorder (e.g., ADHD, Dyslexia, etc).
- By understanding your child's learning needs, intervention (e.g., learning strategies, psychotherapy, and resources) can be individually tailored to his/her learning pattern, so as to maximise his/her learning potential.
- Studies have shown that prolonged struggles and negative experiences with learning can lower a person's self-esteem and confidence, leading to more severe negative emotions over time.

Where can I go to get help?

- Judy Yap is a registered Clinical Psychologist at Scott Psychological Centre with more than 20 years of experience.
- She can conduct a range of psychological tests to help you understand your child's learning needs.
- She also teaches the skills for learning and provides psychotherapy to build confidence and promote wellbeing in your child.



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