

# Symptoms of Visual Processing Disorders (VPDs)

Symptoms of VPD's include:

- difficulty seeing the difference between colours
- difficulty seeing the difference between similar letters, shapes or objects
- difficulty distinguishing words or shapes from the background
- difficulty seeing differences between patterns
- difficulty finding a particular piece of information on a page full of numbers and words
- difficulty keeping their place when reading a paragraph (i.e. missing lines or reading the same line over and over)
- difficulty spacing letters and words when writing
- misreading or reversing letters, words and numbers
- difficulty understanding maths equations especially distinguishing between numbers and understanding the operational signs
- difficulty writing within lines or margins on a page
- bumping into things
- difficulty copying information
- difficulty participating in games that require precise and timed movements in space
- problems with reading comprehension
- difficulty remembering the spelling of familiar words
- difficulty remembering phone numbers or other numerical information of importance
- difficulty recognising familiar objects or a picture of a familiar object from a partial image
- difficulty judging time
- difficulty reading maps and illustrations