Learning/Reading Difficulty Guide

	Language Disorder	Reading Disorder/Dyslexia	Reading Comprehension Difficulty
Phonological Awareness	Poor phonological and phonemic skills	Poor phonological and phonemic skills	Adequate phonological awareness skills
Grammar Skills	Poor syntactical and morphological skills	Sound syntactical and morphological skills	Some weakness with syntactical and morphological skills
Vocabulary/Semantics	Poor vocabulary and limited semantic knowledge	Good vocabulary and appropriate semantic knowledge	Poor vocabulary and limited semantic knowledge
Working Memory	Poor spatial, phonological and verbal working memory	Poor phonological working memory	Below average verbal working memory
Processing Speed	Processing speed weakness	Adequate processing speed	Processing speed weakness