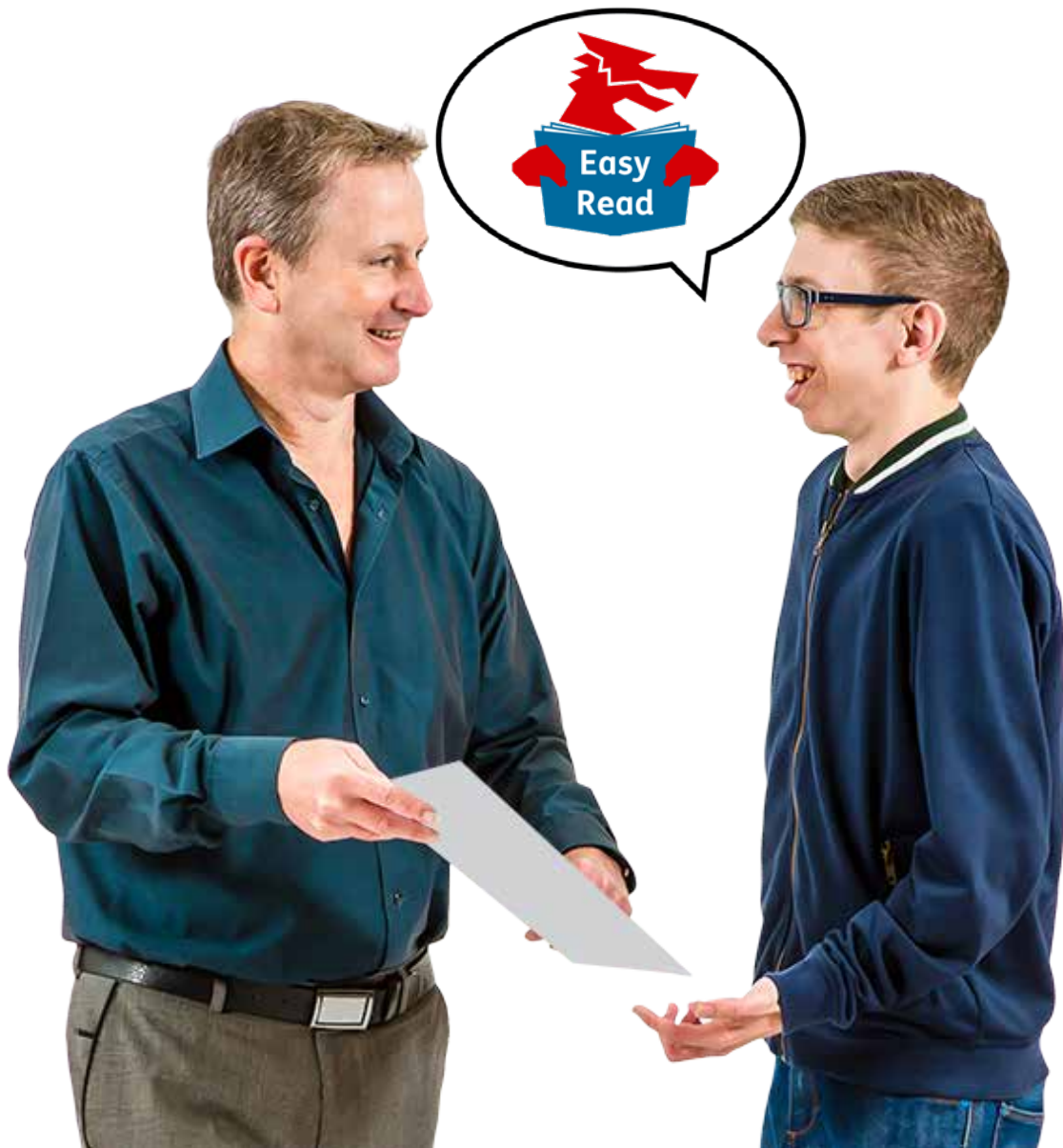


Ask for Easy Read

This guide tells you what Easy Read is and how to ask for it



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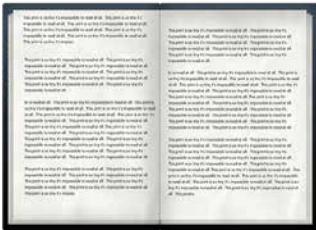
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What is Easy Read?

Sometimes information is hard to read. This can be because:



- The words are too hard.



- The text is too small.



- There is too much information.

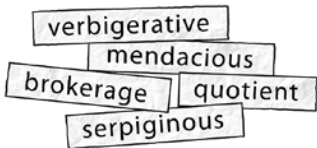


Easy Read is information written to be easier to understand.

Easy Read can help everyone, but it is most useful for people who:



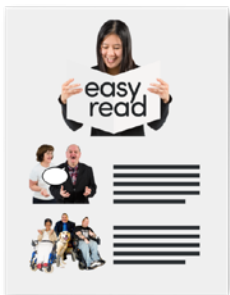
- Have trouble reading.



- Find long or hard words difficult.



- Struggle with too many words at once.



- Need pictures to help them understand.



- Are learning English.



- Have memory problems.



- Find it hard to concentrate.

Why is Easy Read important?



The law says you have a right to information that you can understand.

When you understand information, it helps you:



- live an independent life



- make your own choices



- have your say



- get involved in your community.

What makes Easy Read easier?

Easy Read:



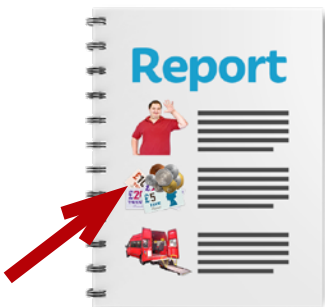
- Uses simple words as much as possible.



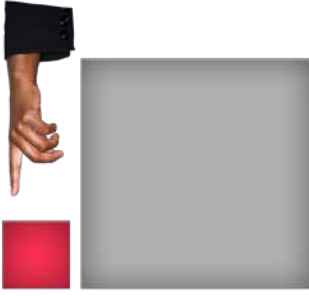
- Explains hard words.



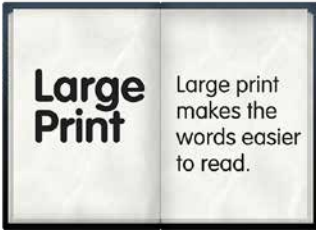
- Uses short sentences.



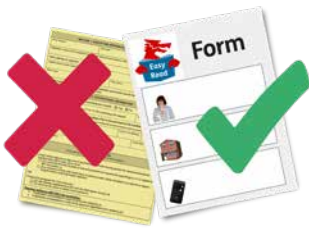
- Includes pictures to help explain ideas.



- Breaks information into smaller parts.



- Uses large font size.

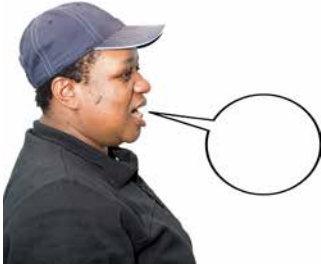


- Leaves space, so the page is not too full.



This is what you are asking for when you ask for Easy Read.

How to ask for Easy Read



If information is hard to read or understand, you can ask for Easy Read. To ask for Easy Read:



- Contact the organisation or service. By phone, email, or in person.



- Tell them their information is hard for you to read.



- Ask for the information in Easy Read.



- Tell them what information you need.



- Ask when you will get it.

Where to ask for Easy Read

You can ask for Easy Read from places like:



- Your doctor or hospital.



- The council.



- Housing associations.



- Your bank.



- Support services.



- Electric, gas, or water companies.



- Police or fire services.



- Libraries.

What kind of Easy Read you can get

Easy Read information can be in:



- Leaflets.



- Booklets.



- Letters.



- Emails.



- Forms.



- Websites.

Find out more



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