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Learning About Neurodiversity at School

A resource pack for
primary school teachers
and pupils

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LEANS
Learning About Neurodiversity at School



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**A new, FREE curriculum for
mainstream primary schools, introducing pupils
aged 8-11 years to neurodiversity concepts**



Quick info for schools

What is LEANS?

LEANS is a multi-session, teacher-delivered curriculum for your whole class. It mixes hands-on activities, storytelling, videos, and more! LEANS was developed by a neurodiverse team of researchers and educators.

Why deliver it?

Better-informed, more accepting primary school communities can help make educational experiences more positive—for everyone.

LEANS' goals are to change pupils' knowledge about neurodiversity, their beliefs about neurodivergence, and the actions they take at school.

How do I deliver it?

The free, downloadable resource pack has all you need to prepare and deliver LEANS. You *don't* need to be a neurodiversity expert in order to get started.

The teacher handbook is a "one stop shop" for developing your understanding of neurodiversity concepts, guidance on teaching this topic, and LEANS activity plans. It's a training course, in a book!

How long does it take?

We estimate 6-8 hours of teacher time for initial programme preparation, to work through the handbook content and complete safety planning.

Delivering LEANS takes an estimated 15-19 hours of classroom time (about 1-2 hours per week, over a whole school term).

Is LEANS right for my class?

LEANS won't be a practical or ethical choice in every class. The teacher handbook includes extensive guidance on how you can evaluate LEANS' fit with your class.

Can I get help?

Yes! You can contact one of our LEANS Champions, who are experienced educator-experts. They offer FREE advice and support about any part of adopting or delivering LEANS. *UK and Ireland only.*

New! LEANS now has information resources for parent and carers

Find out more and download your free copy of LEANS here
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