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| **Resource** |  |
| **Who is it for?** | 7 years to adult |
| **Where from?** | <http://www.readandspell.com/> |
| **Cost?** | * From £10/month for 1 user or £70/year (prices decrease as licence number/period increases) [www.readandspell.com/education-licence#pricing](http://www.readandspell.com/education-licence#pricing) * All UK schools can access one account for **free** for a dyslexic learner using this link :- [share this form](https://ttrsonline.com/registration/EducationSubscription?country=GB&period=Yearly&studentsCount=1&code=BDA100) |
| **Key Features** | * Primarily a touch-typing course but supports reading and spelling too * Need computer with keyboard, speakers, headphones and wifi connection – use Chrome/Firefox. Log in to TTRS Online using own login details * Uses multi-sensory approach - hear words through earphones, read them on screen, and see which fingers to press by looking at on-screen keyboard * Only real words are used – helping to reinforce spelling – and capital letters, full stops and whole sentences are introduced early on * Words used are based on 'Alpha to Omega' and Orton and Gillingham * Screen font/colour/size can be customised * Modular design - contains 24 levels with 31 modules in each level. Each module typically takes a few minutes to complete so learners can dip in and out for short sessions – ideal for learners with poor concentration * Can work at own pace – initial focus is on accuracy not speed * Progress can be monitored easily by a teacher remotely * Positive feedback for successful completion of modules - certificates * Module 1 starts simply with students learning to touch-type, read and spell the vowels - "a , e , i , o , u ". The audio track accompanies the letters as they appear on screen, helping reinforce sound-letter correspondence, which is a crucial skill for sounding out words in reading/spelling * Module 2 introduces words through "onset and rime". Eg - fed, wed, led * Even from Level 1, every 5th module is a dictation module where the visual element is removed, encouraging the student to listen to the words and then type out what they hear. This reinforces the new words learnt in the previous 4 modules and helps to develop working memory * Extra subject specific modules for maths / science words linked to KS1-4 * Endorsed by the British Dyslexia Association\* * Research ongoing :<http://www.readandspell.com/research> |