## BOOK LAUNCH LUNA'S STORY

BY CLEMENTINA MAKANJUOLA

"HER CHALLENGE IS NOT DYSLEXIA BUT RATHER THE LACK OF AWARENESS ABOUT IT"

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# **Author Bio**

Clementina is a British citizen born in Nigeria on November 21, 1997. Unfortunately, she was born with Cerebral Palsy and developmental delay, which made her life a bit challenging. However, Clementina was determined to live a fulfilling life and make the best of her circumstances.

Growing up, Clementina faced numerous obstacles due to her learning difficulty. She struggled with dyslexia, which made it difficult for her to read and write. But despite her struggles, she developed a passion for working with young children. Clementina is fascinated by the innocence and wonder of children and felt that she could make a positive impact on their lives.

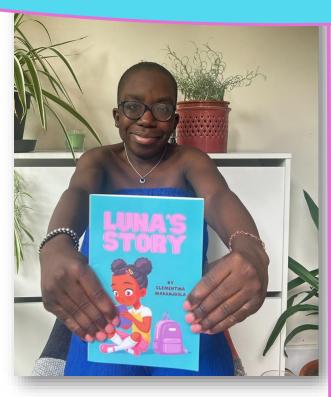
Clementina pursued her passion by studying up to college level and acquiring qualifications in Health and Social care, Childcare, Creative and Visual Arts, and Child Psychology level 3. These qualifications enabled her to work with children in various capacities, such as helping with playtime, mealtime, and story time in nursery schools. Her warm and friendly personality quickly made her a favorite among the children, who adored her kind and caring nature.

Clementina's learning difficulties meant she was unable to proceed to university level, which was a significant setback for her. However, she did not let this discourage her from pursuing her dreams. Instead, she decided to focus on her passion by writing children's short stories and fictions.

Writing provided a therapeutic outlet for Clementina and gave her a platform to express herself creatively. Many of her stories were inspired by her own experiences with learning difficulties and bullying while at school. Her stories are not only entertaining, or self-expression, but also a way to create awareness and educate people about the various challenges of disability.



Today, Clementina lives with her parents in Surrey, United Kingdom, where she continues to write and pursue her passion for working with young children. Her love for children and her desire to make a positive impact on their lives continue to motivate her. Clementina's story is a testament to the power of perseverance, determination, and a never-give-up attitude. A great example for other kids with similar disabilities.



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## About the Book

Luna's Story is a fiction book that showcases the struggles of a girl with dyslexia who is desperate for her school teachers to understand and facilitate special help to support her learning disability.

The book was written by Clementina Makanjuola, who suffers from dyslexia, to create awareness, help minimize the struggles of other and help others to acknowledge that children with dyslexia are easy targets for bullies.

#### What is dyslexia?

It is a lifelong learning disability, a language processing disorder that people are born with. A neurological disorder that causes their brains to process and interpret information differently, affecting their reading, writing, spelling, and sometimes even speaking. Dyslexics have trouble matching letters on a page with the sounds that those letters make.

Dyslexia can also make it difficult for people to express themselves clearly. It can be hard for them to use vocabulary and to structure their thoughts during conversations. Others struggle to understand when people speak to them. Even more when using abstract thoughts and non-literal language such as proverbs, jokes, idioms, poetry, etc.

#### What is bullying?

Bullying is defined as the act of seeking to harm, intimidate, or coerce someone perceived as vulnerable. It is based on repeated aggressive behavior towards an individual or group that involves a power imbalance, often causing harm or distress to the victim. It can take many forms, including physical, verbal, or psychological abuse, such as teasing, namecalling, physical assault, and exclusion from social groups.

### **TESTIMONIES**



"I am very happy because finally someone is addressing dyslexia in fiction books, not only in non-fiction books." Andy Daniel Rosario – Dyslexia caregiver for kids.



"Finally, my daughter can see herself in a book. And is so adorable that she make the audiobook for other dyslexic kids to enjoy it"

- Cynthia Mota de Diaz – Mother of a kid with dyslexia.



"I know how difficult it can be for children with dyslexia to write one page of content. I really admire Clementina. It is a real achievement." – Maria Osho – Learning Support Assistant in Pioneer Special School, UK.







#### Quotes

"Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time."

- Thomas A. Edison (who had dyslexia)

"Dyslexia is an emotional journey that needs to be shared." - Robert Toomey

"Dyslexics are different. Some of the most famous people in the world have learning differences. If you're dyslexic, you can make it." - Richard Branson (who had dyslexia)

"Dyslexia is not due to a lack of intelligence. It's a lack of access. It's like, if you're dyslexic, you have all the information you need, but find it harder to process." - Orlando Bloom (who had dyslexia)

## **Objective Audience**



- Children with dyslexia.
- Parents or caregivers of dyslexic children.
- Teachers or tutors of dyslexic children.
- Children 6 to 12 years olds with friends or family with dyslexia.
- Family members and friends' children with dyslexia.
- Anyone who wants to learn more about dyslexia and the difficulties that people with dyslexia faces.



## **Book 's Objectives**

- Raises Dyslexia Awareness: Increases awareness about dyslexia.
- Promotes Empathy: Fosters empathy and understanding.
- Reduces Stigma: Lessens the stigma surrounding dyslexia.
- **Inspires Perseverance:** Inspires readers through characters overcoming obstacles.
- **Empowers Through Representation:** Empowers and validates individuals with dyslexia through representation.
- Offers Practical Insights: Provides practical tips for supporting dyslexic individuals.
- Enhances Literacy: Improves literacy skills for dyslexic readers.
- Fosters Critical Thinking: Encourages critical thinking and cognitive development.
- Provides Enjoyment and Connection: Offers enjoyment and a sense of connection with characters.
- Benefits All Readers: Benefits both dyslexic and non-dyslexic readers.

#### **Book Summary**

Luna, a spirited twelve-year-old, is ready to dive back into the world of school, but her journey is about to become a powerful testament to resilience and determination.

Amid the bustling hallways, Luna grapples with the challenges of dyslexia, a learning difference that sets her apart. Frustration mounts as her teachers struggle to grasp her unique needs, leaving Luna feeling lost in the sea of textbooks and assignments.

To make matters worse, a relentless bully shadows her every step, turning her school days and her everyday way home into a daunting ordeal. Luna yearns for independence, knowing she has the potential to soar, yet constantly finds herself seeking support from the school's principal and teachers.

Even at home, Luna's plea for help occasionally falls on deaf ears, as one of her sisters, though understanding, grows weary of her persistent requests.

As Luna's frustration reaches its breaking point, an unexpected ally emerges. The school principal steps in, providing Luna with the tools and guidance she so desperately needs. With unwavering support, the bullying menace is confronted, paving the way for a brighter future.

In "Unlocking Luna's Brilliance," embark on a heartwarming journey of triumph over adversity. Luna's story is a testament to the power of persistence, the magic of mentorship, and the unwavering love of a determined mother. Join Luna as she unlocks her true potential and inspires us all to rise above life's challenges.



# Questions for Interview

- Can you tell us about your personal journey with dyslexia and cerebral palsy?
- What motivated you to write books?
- Could you describe the central theme of your book, "Luna's Story"?
- Can you share some of the challenges you faced while writing your book?
- What impact do you believe your book will have on raising awareness about dyslexia?
- Do you ever experience bullying in real life?
- Do you think many other kids with dyslexia are victims of bullying?
- In your opinion, what are the key misconceptions or stereotypes about dyslexia that your book aims to address?
- What resources or support did you find most helpful in your journey as a dyslexic writer and as a student?
- Could you share any advice for other aspiring writers with dyslexia who may be hesitant to pursue their dreams?
- Who are some of the people that help you the most in this journey?

- What role did your family and friends play in supporting you in your career as a writer?
- What are your future plans as an author?
- What message would you like to share with individuals with dyslexia who may be inspired by your journey and your book?
- Finally, there anything else you would like to add to this conversation?

#### NOTES TO CONSIDER:

Key Considerations for Conducting an Interview with the Author:

- \*Understand the author's challenges with dyslexia and cerebral palsy.
- \*Prioritize the author's comfort and physical well-being during the interview.
- \*Allocate extra time to allow for pauses and thoughtful responses.
- \*Use clear and concise language, avoiding complex jargon.
- \*Frame questions in an open-ended manner to encourage detailed responses.
- \*Respect pauses and avoid rushing or interrupting the author.
- \*Approach the interview with patience and a nonjudgmental attitude.
- \*Actively listen to the author to ensure they feel heard and understood.
- \*Simplify complex or multipart questions into manageable segments to prevent overwhelming the author.
- \*Be mindful of and respect the author's personal boundaries.
- \*Offer reassurance, letting the author know it's perfectly fine to take their time."

#### **MEDIA IDEAS:**







- 1- "Inspiring Triumph: Author with Dyslexia Launches Book to Empower Others"
- 2- "Unveiling 'Luna's Story': A Journey of Courage and Dyslexia Awareness"
- 3- "Author with Dyslexia Shines Light on Unique Journey in New Book Release"
- 4- "Overcoming Odds: Author with Dyslexia and Cerebral Palsy Debuts Inspiring Book"
- 5- "Dyslexia Awareness Takes Center Stage with Author's Debut Novel"
- 6- "A Voice for the Unheard: Author with Dyslexia's Inspiring Book Launch"
- 7- "Dyslexia Unveiled: Author's New Book Aims to Illuminate and Inspire"
- 8- "Author with Dyslexia and Cerebral Palsy Breaks Barriers with Book Launch"
- 9- "Empowering the Dyslexic Community: Author's Debut Book Hits Shelves"
- 10- "Unlocking Potential: Author's Dyslexia Journey Captured in Debut Book"
- 11-"Celebrating Resilience: Author with Dyslexia's Book Launch Draws Attention"
- 12-"Author with Dyslexia and Cerebral Palsy Inspires with New Book Release"
- 13- "Luna's Story: A Tale of Triumph and Dyslexia Awareness by Author with Dyslexia"
- 14- "From Silence to Story: Author's Dyslexia Journey in Focus at Book Launch"
- 15-"Author's Journey from Dyslexia to Publication: 'Luna's Story' Unveiled"

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