

Assessor Recommendation Guide

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Introduction



Lernabl is an assistive technology study platform purposefully designed to support disabled students in higher education. Built to foster educational equity, Lernabl offers a personalised learning experience that caters to diverse needs. Users can access a variety of study methods designed to make exam preparation more engaging and tailored to individual challenges.

Lernabl focuses on key Study Focus Areas, such as memory retention, comprehension, and focus, linking these areas to targeted study methods. From interactive tools to traditional approaches, students can explore methods like Flashcards, Concentration, and Fill in the Blanks to find what works best for them.

The platform features a versatile Study Planner that helps students organise their time and stay on track. To further support their learning journey, Lernabl includes research-backed tips on study techniques and well-being, empowering students to optimise both their routines and mental health. The Mock Exam feature allows users to simulate real exam conditions, building confidence and preparing them for success.

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Areas of study where Lernabl can be recommended.

Specific Learning Differences (SpLDs)

- Dyslexia
- Dyspraxia or Developmental Coordination Disorder (DCD)
- Dyscalculia
- Dysgraphia
- Auditory Processing Disorder
- Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD)
- Attention deficit disorder (ADD)

Lernabl offers a multi-sensory learning approach with built in study methods that focus on word-specific learning to improve spelling and text recognition skills such as, Cornell notes, fill in the blanks and *Read Cover Retell Check* study methods as well as the Mock Exam feature.

A variety of audio-visual elements also helps in catering to different information processing needs, for example, recording audio and text to speech study methods.

Lernabl offers multiple features that cater to shorter attention spans and the need for interactive, engaging approaches to learning. Timed sessions across various study methods help to structure study time and focus attention. These include the Concentration, Flashcards and RAMBAM study methods.

Research and Reading

- Students with SpLD can find it challenging to retain information, maintain focus, or manage their time effectively, particularly when preparing for assessments or examinations. Because reading is such a central part of the revision process, difficulties here can have a knock-on effect across other study areas. Lernabl provides support by breaking down reading into manageable sections, adding key terms and study notes, to build information quickly, offering a distraction-free environment, and allowing learners to personalise how information is presented. This helps reduce overwhelm, supports focus, and makes revision more effective and less stressful.
- The text to speech feature can be used to convert information captured within Learnabl into an auditory format. This feature makes it easier for students to access, process and retain information to memory. The presence of an SpLD

- can often bring slower reading speeds, difficulty decoding text and it is also possible to feel overwhelmed by large volumes of information. Lernabl can help to Improves reading confidence, and reduce overwhelm.
- Features within Lernabl such as 'Funnelling' help students sift through large volumes of information to identify key points, aiding those who become overwhelmed by extensive study materials.

Note-taking in Lectures and Seminars

Lernabl can assist in preparation for exams. By adopting a scaffolded learning approach, Lernabl supports students' exam preparation through regular consolidation and organisation of lecture notes/materials. This ongoing process not only helps to reinforce understanding and long-term retention but also enables learners to identify gaps in their knowledge and seek clarification in a timely manner. By transforming note-taking into an active and iterative process, Lernabl promotes deeper comprehension and more effective exam preparation.

Time management and organisation

• Executive functioning difficulties can make it harder for students with an SpLD to prioritise tasks, manage deadlines, and maintain study routines, often leading to last-minute work or missed submissions. Where it is difficult to allocate appropriate amounts of time to study tasks, the 'Study Planner' within **Lernabl** offers a structured schedule tailored to the individual's needs.

Practical Sessions, Placements, Field Trips and Additional Course Activities

• As **Lernabl** is an online solution that can be accessed on any device, 'topic cards' can be added to the relevant exam section when studying on the go.

- Revision can often feel overwhelming for students with SpLD, who may struggle to structure study sessions, retain key information, and avoid procrastination. For students who find it challenging to gauge their own understanding of topics, **Lernabl** features such as the 'Mock Exam' and 'Fill in the Blanks' method provide students with a flexible way to receive feedback to facilitate self- assessment.
- **Lernabl** can help to create more effective revision routines, improve recall and reinforcement through multisensory learning and the use of features such as topic cards, and reduce overwhelm by providing a structured approach.
- The gamified aspects of Lernabl, such as the 'Concentration Game,' aim to increase engagement and learning through repetition. This is particularly beneficial for students who experience task avoidance that impacts their motivation to engage with revision tasks.
- Lernabl offers tools such as 'Fill in the Blanks' and 'Flashcards' that make textual engagement more interactive and manageable for students with Specific Learning Differences (SpLD) like Dyslexia and Dyspraxia.
- For students with challenges in grasping complex subjects, Lernabl deploys methods like 'Read Cover Retell Check' and 'Cornell Notes,' which simplify and organise information, improving comprehension.
- For students who find auditory learning more conducive, **Lernabl** has a 'Record Audio' feature that enables them to convert textual material into audio format.
- To aid students with ADHD and other conditions that impact focus, Lernabl
 integrates the 'RAMBAM' revision technique and features a 'Study Planner,'
 both designed to segment study time and improve concentration.

Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD) / Aspergers

- Childhood disintegrative disorder
- Pervasive developmental disorder
- q22 deletion syndrome

For students on the autism spectrum, routine and predictability can be incredibly beneficial. Lernabl offers a structured approach to revision, with timers within the various study methods and step-by-step guides that can make the study process less overwhelming.

The Mock exam feature allows a student to test their knowledge in a controlled scenario which can help them overcome the key disability impacts.

The Study Planner offers an additional layer of support for students with ASC, giving them the ability to map out their study schedule and helping to manage time effectively. Students can utilise Lernabl to build structure to their revision over the whole academic year.

Research and Reading

- Students with ASC can often find it challenging to retain information, maintain focus, or manage their time effectively, particularly when preparing for assessments or examinations. Reading underpins the majority of revision activities, and difficulties here can significantly impact overall study outcomes. So much of revision depends on reading, and it can be harder when reading feels like a barrier. Lernabl provides support by breaking down reading into manageable sections, offering a distraction-free environment, and allowing learners to personalise how information is presented. This helps reduce overwhelm, supports focus, and makes revision more effective and less stressful. Effective revision is heavily dependent on effective reading techniques.
- Where there are processing difficulties arising from ASC, Lernabl allows for information to be presented in a simplified, predictable, distraction-free layout. This can break reading tasks into smaller, manageable sections.
- The text to speech feature can be used to convert information captured within Lernabl into an auditory format. This feature makes it easier for students to access, process and retain information to memory.
- Features within Lernabl such as 'Funnelling' help students sift through large volumes of information to identify key points, aiding those who become overwhelmed by extensive study materials. In this way, information can be broken down into smaller, more manageable sections, supporting

comprehension for students who process information more effectively in short, structured bursts. For students with ASC, complex sentence structures, figurative language, or dense academic texts can slow comprehension and increase mental effort. Lernabl enables an individual to engage with reading tasks in a calmer, more structured way. It can help to reduce anxiety linked to overwhelm, improve comprehension by lowering cognitive load, and support greater independence in managing academic texts.

 Sensory sensitivities and unpredictability with content can lead to overwhelm, anxiety, and reduced comprehension. Using Lernabl can help to simplify information presentation and reduce sensory or cognitive overload.

Note-taking in Lectures and Seminars

 By using the 'topic cards' feature, students can upload their lecture notes in Lernabl in preparation for exams. This scaffold approach allows students to regularly consolidate and organise their notes from lectures.

Time management and organisation

- The Study Planner within **Lernabl** offers an additional layer of support for students with ASC, giving them the ability to map out their study schedule and helping to manage time effectively.
- The 'Study Planner' also serves to reduce academic-related stress and anxiety by assisting with effective time management, pacing study intervals, and setting realistic goals.

Practical Sessions, Placements, Field Trips and Additional Course Activities

• As **Lernabl** is an online solution that can be accessed on any device, 'topic cards' can be added to the relevant exam section when studying on the go.

Examinations and Timed Assessments

 Students with ASC may feel overwhelmed by the volume of material to revise, and may find it difficult to decide what to prioritise. Lernabl can offer support with processing, reducing overload and providing multisensory reinforcement, in a predictable environment through an array of tools. Features such as 'Fill in the Blanks' and 'Flashcards' can make textual engagement more interactive and manageable for students who experience task avoidance or high levels of anxiety

- For students with challenges in grasping complex subjects, Lernabl deploys methods like 'Read Cover Retell Check' and 'Cornell Notes,' which simplify and organise information, improving comprehension.
- For students who find auditory learning more conducive, **Lernabl** has a 'Record Audio' feature that allows them to convert textual material into audio format.
- Features within Lernabl such as 'Funnelling', helps students sift through large volumes of information to identify key points, aiding those who get overwhelmed by extensive study materials.
- The gamified aspects of **Lernabl**, such as the 'Concentration Game,' aim to increase user engagement and motivation, particularly beneficial for those with mental health challenges that impact their enthusiasm for studying.
- For students who find it challenging to gauge their own understanding of topics, features within Lernabl such as the Mock Exam and Fill in the Blanks method provide students with a flexible way to receive feedback to facilitate selfassessment.
- To aid students who experience issues with attention and concentration,
 Lernabl integrates the 'RAMBAM' revision technique and features a 'Study Planner,' both designed to segment study time and improve focus.
- For students who experience stress about exams or are uncertain about how
 well they've grasped the material, the **Lernabl** 'Mock Exam' feature simulates
 an exam environment. This functionality helps students gauge their
 readiness and adapt their study plans accordingly, while also helping them
 become accustomed to the pressures of a timed test.

Mental Health

- Anxiety
- Depression
- Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)
- Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCD)
- Borderline Personality Disorder (BPD)
- Dissociative disorder
- Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD)
- Attention deficit disorder (ADD)

Lernabl's user-friendly interface and various engaging learning methods aim to reduce the stress and anxiety often associated with studying.

Having the choice of multiple study methods offers students the flexibility to pick what suits them best, which can be especially beneficial for those dealing with fluctuating mood states or concentration levels.

In addition, the Lernabl Study Planner can help students with anxiety by providing a structured, step-by-step approach to their study sessions. Users are able to access revision and well-being tips, rooted in psychological research, that aim to create a conducive study environment and offer emotional support. These tips can serve as proactive strategies to help students manage stress and enhance focus, making the study process less daunting and more achievable.

Students can utilise Lernabl to build structure to their revision over the whole academic year, which can help reduce anxiety and build confidence in their knowledge.

Research and Reading

• Mental health difficulties can result in poor concentration. This makes it difficult to sustain focus on long passages of text, and managing large volumes of information can often feel daunting and overwhelming. This can lead to feelings of increased stress and cognitive overload. Reading activities underpin the majority of revision activities, and difficulties here can significantly impact overall study outcomes. Lernabl's text to speech feature can be used to convert information captured within Lernabl into an auditory format. This feature can make it easier for students to access, process and retain information to memory. Revision usually starts with reading, and the use of Lernabl can make the whole process less stressful helping with comprehension and active recall.

 Features within Lernabl such as 'Funnelling' also help students sift through large volumes of information to identify key points, aiding those who become overwhelmed by extensive study materials.

Note-taking in Lectures and Seminars

 By using the 'topic cards' feature, students can upload their lecture notes in Lernabl in preparation for exams. This scaffold approach allows students to regularly consolidate and organise their notes from lectures.

Time management and organisation

- For those who find it difficult to allocate appropriate amounts of time to their studies, the 'Study Planner' within **Lernabl** offers a structured schedule tailored to the individual's needs.
- The 'Study Planner' within **Lernabl** also serves to reduce academic-related stress and anxiety by assisting with effective time management, pacing study intervals, and setting realistic goals.

Practical Sessions, Placements, Field Trips and Additional Course Activities

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- Fatigue and low motivation arising from the diagnosis, coupled with heightened levels of anxiety around assessments can make revision and study routines harder to manage. Lernabl offers tools such as 'Fill in the Blanks' and 'Flashcards' that make textual engagement more interactive and manageable for students who experience task avoidance.
- For students with challenges in grasping complex subjects, Lernabl deploys methods like 'Read Cover Retell Check' and 'Cornell Notes,' which simplify and organise information, improving comprehension.
- For students who find auditory learning more conducive, **Lernabl** has a 'Record Audio' feature that allows them to convert textual material into audio format.
- Features like 'Funnelling' within Lernabl help students sift through large volumes of information to identify key points, aiding those who get overwhelmed by extensive study materials.
- The gamified aspects of **Lernabl**, such as the 'Concentration Game,' aim to increase user engagement and motivation, particularly beneficial for those with mental health challenges that impact their enthusiasm for studying.
- For students who find it challenging to gauge their own understanding of topics, features such as the Mock Exam and Fill in the Blanks method within **Lernabl** provides students with a flexible way to receive feedback to facilitate selfassessment.

- To aid students with conditions that have a profound impact on concentration,
 Lernabl integrates the 'RAMBAM' revision technique and features a 'Study Planner,' both designed to segment study time and improve focus.
- For students who experience stress or anxiety with exams, or are uncertain about how well they've grasped the material, the 'Mock Exam' feature within Lernabl simulates an exam environment. This functionality helps students gauge their readiness and adapt their study plans accordingly, while also helping them become accustomed to the pressures of a timed test.

Physical / Unseen / Other

- Arthritis
- Diabetes (Type 1 or Type 2)
- Scoliosis
- Sciatica
- Raynaud's syndrome
- Fibromyalgia
- ME / Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (CFS)
- Sickle Cell Anaemia
- Long Covid
- Multiple Sclerosis (MS)
- Brain injury
- Sickle cell anaemia
- Postural orthostatic tachycardia syndrome (POTS)

Certain physiological or unseen conditions impact on executive function, the key features of Lernabl can benefit these students.

Lernabl's diverse range of learning methods ensures that students can choose the most comfortable format for them. Whether they prefer audio recordings that can be listened to while resting, or flashcards that require minimal physical interaction, Lernabl's multifaceted approach accommodates their specific needs, helping them to overcome the disability impact.

The Study Planner feature is invaluable for students dealing with fluctuating health conditions.

Lernabl's range of study methods and customisable features make it a suitable aid for a broad spectrum of individual needs, disabilities and challenges. Given that mainstream study aids often overlook the unique challenges faced by these students, Lernabl stands as an essential resource that can significantly influence their academic outcomes at university.

Without access to such a tailored tool, these students may find themselves at a significant disadvantage, making Lernabl not just an optional study aid, but an essential component of their academic journey.

Research and Reading

- Due to the nature of the disability, there are impacts on concentration, memory, and the ability to sustain focus over time. Traditional study methods that demand long periods of uninterrupted reading can prove challenging. Lernabl will enable access to reading and revision tasks in a way that is less fatiguing, more flexible, and better aligned with fluctuating energy levels. The text to speech feature can be used to convert information captured within Lernabl into an auditory format. This feature makes it easier for students to access, process and retain information to memory. Revision requires reading, and the use of Lernabl can make the whole process less stressful helping with comprehension and active recall.
- Features within Lernabl such as 'Funnelling' help students sift through large volumes of information to identify key points, aiding those who become overwhelmed by extensive study materials.

Note-taking in Lectures and Seminars

 By using the 'topic cards' feature, students can upload their lecture notes in Lernabl in preparation for exams. This scaffold approach allows students to regularly consolidate and organise their notes from lectures.

Time management and organisation

- The 'Study Planner' within Lernabl also serves to reduce academic-related stress by assisting with effective time management, pacing study intervals, and setting realistic goals.
- For those who find it difficult to allocate appropriate amounts of time to their studies, the 'Study Planner' within **Lernabl** offers a structured schedule tailored to the individual's needs.

Practical Sessions, Placements, Field Trips and Additional Course Activities

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Examinations and Timed Assessments

- Fluctuating energy levels, pain, and poor concentration can make revision particularly challenging, leading to stress or reduced effectiveness.
 Lernabl supports flexible, less fatiguing revision routines. It offers tools such as 'Fill in the Blanks' and 'Flashcards' that makes textual engagement more interactive and manageable for students who experience issues with motivation and task avoidance.
- For students with challenges in grasping complex subjects due to condition related cognitive challenges, **Lernabl** deploys methods like 'Read Cover Retell Check' and 'Cornell Notes,' which simplify and organise information, improving comprehension.
- For students who find auditory learning more conducive, Lernabl has a 'Record

Audio' feature that allows them to convert textual material into audio format.

- Features like 'Funnelling' within Lernabl helps students sift through large volumes of information to identify key points, aiding those who get overwhelmed by extensive study materials.
- The gamified aspects of **Lernabl**, such as the 'Concentration Game,' aim to increase user engagement and motivation, particularly beneficial for those with physical challenges that impact their enthusiasm for studying.
- For students who find it challenging to gauge their own understanding of topics, features such as the Mock Exam and Fill in the Blanks method provide students with a flexible way to receive feedback to facilitate self-assessment.
- To aid students experience issues with attention and focus, Lernabl integrates
 the 'RAMBAM' revision technique and features a 'Study Planner,' both
 designed to segment study time and improve concentration.
- For students who experience stress or overwhelm with exams, or are uncertain about how well they've grasped the material, the 'Mock Exam' feature within Lernabl simulates an exam environment. This functionality helps students gauge their readiness and adapt their study plans accordingly, while also helping them become accustomed to the pressures of a timed test.

Visual Impairment

- Glaucoma
- Keratoconus
- Migraine (with aura)
- Diabetic retinopathy
- Multiple sclerosis
- Strabismus

For students with visual impairments, Lernabl offers a range of features that can facilitate a more accessible learning experience.

The Text-to-Speech functionality, for instance, allows students to absorb material audibly rather than visually, ensuring that they are not at a disadvantage when it comes to interacting with study content.

Likewise, the Record Audio feature can be a valuable asset for these students, allowing them to create and play back audio recordings of key concepts for easier memorisation and recall.

Research and Reading

- Students with visual impairments may experience fatigue from sustained visual effort. The text to speech feature can be used to convert information captured within **Lernabl** into an auditory format. This feature makes it easier for students to access, process and retain information to memory.
- Features within Lernabl such as 'Funnelling' help students sift through large volumes of information to identify key points, aiding those who become overwhelmed by extensive study materials.

Note-taking in Lectures and Seminars

 By using the 'topic cards' feature, students can upload their lecture notes in Lernabl in preparation for exams. This scaffold approach allows students to regularly consolidate and organise their notes from lectures.

Time management and organisation

 Due to the length of time that it can take visually impaired students to complete study related tasks, the **Lernabl** 'Study Planner' makes it easier to allocate appropriate amounts of time and offers a structured schedule tailored to the individual's needs.

Practical Sessions, Placements, Field Trips and Additional Course Activities

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- For those with visual and auditory limitations, **Lernabl** offers inclusive methods such as Text-to-Speech and is compatible with screen readers, providing alternative ways to engage, revise and learn the material.
- For students who find auditory learning more conducive to learning, Lernabl
 has a 'Record Audio' feature that allows them to convert textual material into
 audio format.
- The 'Funnelling' feature within Lernabl helps students sift through large volumes of information to identify key points, aiding those who find it difficult to navigate through extensive study materials.

Hearing Impairment

- Bilateral hearing loss
- Tinnitus
- Misophonia
- Phonophobia

Lernabl is equipped with features that prioritise visual and tactile learning styles, thereby minimising reliance on auditory information.

Methods like 'Flashcards', 'Fill in the Blanks' and 'Cornell Notes' focus on visual and read/write components for learning.

This accommodates their specific needs whilst also enhancing their academic experience by leveraging their strengths. This process supports memory formation and retention of information.

Research and Reading

- Lernabl enables students with hearing impairments to revise more effectively
 by giving them reliable access to written content in a format they can
 personalise. It reduces fatigue linked to reliance on listening, supports
 independent review of materials, and improves confidence in preparing for
 assessments and examinations.
- Features within **Lernabl** such as 'Funnelling' help students sift through large volumes of information to identify key points, aiding those who become overwhelmed by extensive study materials.

Note-taking in Lectures and Seminars

- By using the 'topic cards' feature, students can upload their lecture notes in Lernabl in preparation for exams. This scaffold approach allows students to regularly consolidate and organise their notes from lectures.
- Students with hearing impairments may not always be able to rely on listening to lectures or discussions for context, making reading a central way to access academic content. However, dense, unstructured, or visually cluttered text can be difficult to navigate and may cause fatigue when reading for extended periods. Lernabl can help by breaking content down into manageable chunks. It reduces fatigue, makes academic content more accessible, and allows learners to work more independently across study tasks.

Time management and organisation

 For students who find it takes them longer to complete reading or revision tasks, the **Lernabl** 'Study Planner' offers a structured schedule tailored to the individual's needs.

Practical Sessions, Placements, Field Trips and Additional Course Activities

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- **Lernabl** offers tools such as 'Fill in the Blanks' and 'Flashcards' that make textual engagement more interactive and manageable for students who find it difficult to process written information.
- For example; students who communicate primarily using BSL can often find it difficult to process text based material.
- Additionally, it can often take students who experience hearing loss longer to process and assimilate information.
- To aid students who experience tinnitus or other conditions that affect concentration, **Lernabl** integrates the 'RAMBAM' revision technique and features a 'Study Planner,' both designed to segment study time and improve focus.