**What are common misconceptions about dyslexia?**

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There are a number of misconceptions, I think. One of the biggest ones is that people assume students see letters reversed or upside down or facing different directions, or that letters get mixed up in words. And that definitely does occur for some students who are dyslexic.

Dyslexia really involves working with students who have trouble with reading — whatever the reason may be that they have difficulty reading words. Some students have more difficulty with comprehension. Some students have more difficulty with fluency. If you can provide good Orton-Gillingham lessons, solid instruction using the Orton-Gillingham approach, then you can vary what you're doing to address the specific areas where students have more difficulty.