

Lexend — A Spacing-Based Open Font Family for Reading Fluency, Released on Google Fonts, With Contested Evidence

Digital Inclusion · Good practice · United States of America

Quality score: 72/100

Evidence strength: Strong

Summary

Lexend is an open variable font family designed around wider letter spacing to ease reading. Creator-led tests are positive, but independent reviews find no proven benefit for 'dyslexia fonts' generally.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Innovation level	3/5
Sustainability (ongoing)	1/1
Evaluation evidence	0/1
Demonstrated reach	1/1
Documented learning	1/1

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-10-02

[Dr. Bonnie Shaver-Troup / Google Fonts](#) — accessed 2026-10-02

[Google Design — Lexend](#) — accessed 2026-10-02

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