

# Did you know?



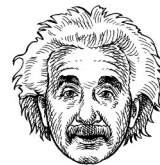
**Over A BILLION people in the world have some type of disability.**

People with disabilities are scientists, musicians, artists, athletes, doctors, teachers, actors, firefighters, lawyers, parents, grandparents, students, brothers and sisters, friends, and much, much more!



*We ALL have strengths and challenges, and we ALL are important members of our families, schools, and communities.*

Not all disabilities can be seen. Some are obvious, like when a person uses a wheelchair to get around, and some are “invisible” or “hidden”, like learning disabilities.



Albert Einstein, one of the most important and famous scientists ever, struggled in school and would be diagnosed with learning disabilities if he was growing up today.



*We are all different from each other in many ways — what we look like, what we enjoy doing, what we are good at, and what we have a hard time with. Some differences are just more obvious than others, including some disabilities.*

**Something to think about....** Whether you have a disability or not, what do YOU like, want, and hope for? Do you think all of us have hopes, likes and dislikes, and our own strengths and weaknesses?



A disability is NOT just something that you're not very good at, like being unable to juggle! A disability makes it hard or even impossible to do one or more activities of daily life, like walking or learning or reading or talking.



Remember, having a disability is just ONE part of who a person is.