



What is Disability



Living



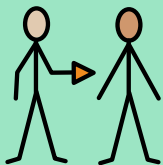
Allowance



(DLA)?



DLA is a benefit that gives you extra money that you might need to look after yourself if you're under 16.



**You can get DLA if you:**

**16**

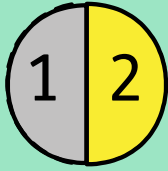
Are under 16

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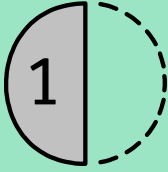
and



Have a disability, illness or condition

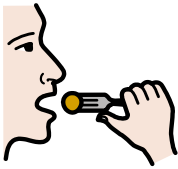


**DLA has 2 parts**



**Part 1** is called **Care**

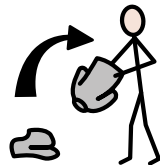
**This is if a child needs help with daily tasks like:**



Eating



Washing



Getting dressed




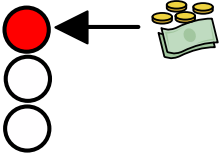
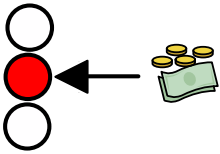
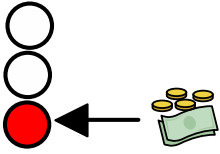
Taking medicine

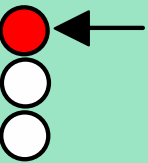
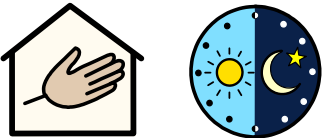



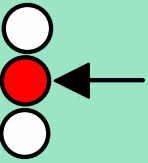
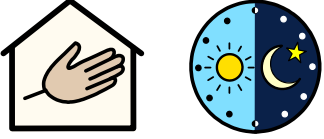

Using the toilet

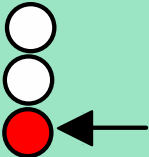



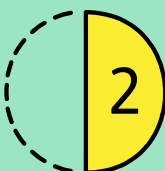
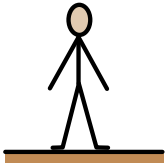


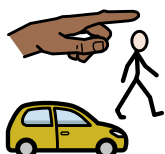

**A child can get the **Care** part from birth.  
The first payment will be 3 months  
after the birth**


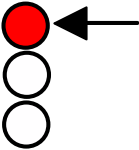
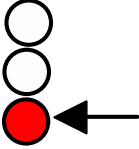
	<p>The care part has 3 rates:</p>
	<p>Higher</p>
	<p>Middle</p>
	<p>Lower</p>

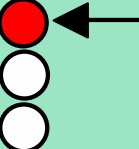

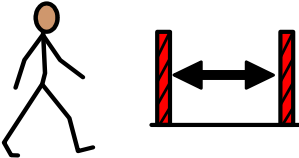
	<p>A child may get the <b>higher</b> rate if:</p>
	<p>They need a lot of care during the day and night</p>
	<p>They are nearing the end of their life</p>

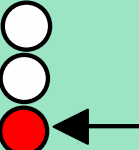

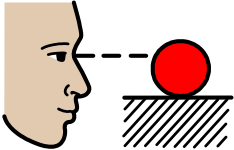
	<p>A child may get the <b>middle</b> rate if:</p>
	<p>They need an average amount care during the day and night</p>
	<p>They need help with regular treatments and medication</p>

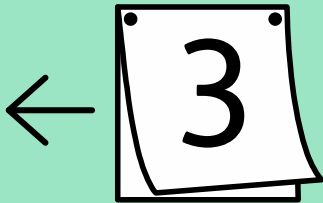
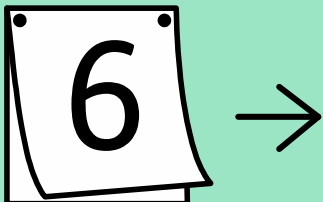

	<p>A child may get the <b>lower</b> rate if:</p>
	<p>They need a small amount of daily care</p>



	<p><b>Part 2</b> is called <b>Mobility</b></p>
	<p><b>This is if a child needs help with:</b></p>
	<p>Standing</p>
	<p>Walking</p>
	<p>Moving inside their home</p>
	<p>Travelling outside of the house</p>
	<p>Planning a journey</p>

	<p>The <b>mobility</b> part has 2 rates:</p>
	<p>Higher</p>
	<p>Lower</p>

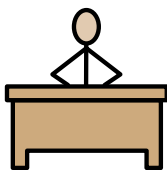

	<p>A child may get the <b>higher</b> rate if:</p>
	<p>They cannot walk</p>
	<p>They can only walk a short distance</p>

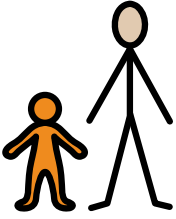
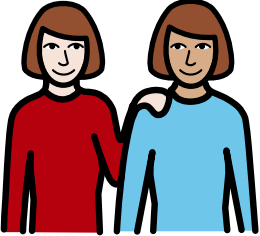

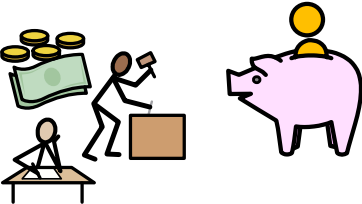
	<p>A child may get the <b>lower</b> rate if:</p>
	<p>They can walk but need support</p>
	<p>They need someone to watch over them while they walk</p>

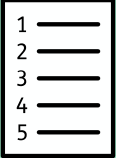


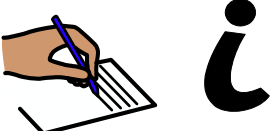
	<p>To get DLA, the child must have had difficulties for at least</p> <p><b>3 months.</b></p>
	<p>These difficulties should last for another <b>6 months</b> unless they are nearing the end of their life.</p>
	<p>Nearing the end of their life means the child might have less than 12 months to live</p>

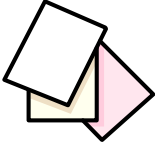
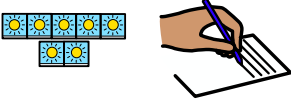


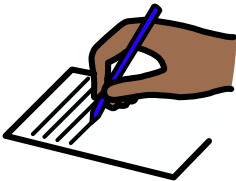
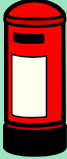
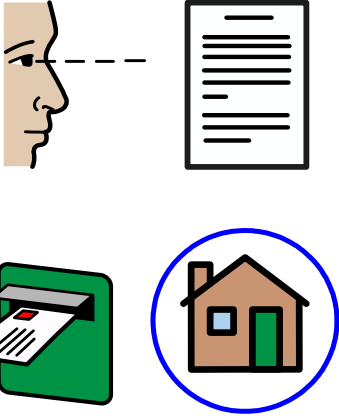



How to apply for DLA

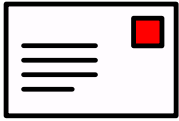
	<p>The Department of Work and Pensions (DWP) are in charge of DLA</p>
	<p>The person looking after the child must make the claim</p>

	<p>If you are the <b>child's parent</b>, you must be <b>aged 16</b> or over to make a claim</p>
	<p>If you are the <b>child's carer</b>, you must be <b>aged 18</b> or over to make a claim.</p>
	<p>The person making the DLA for children claim can:</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be working</li> <li>• Have savings</li> <li>• Have other money coming in</li> </ul>

	<p><b>Steps to apply:</b></p>
	<p>Call the DLA helpline  Telephone: 0800 121 4600  Textphone: 0800 121 4523</p>
	<p>Then, the DWP will send you a form in the post</p>
	<p>Put as much information in the form as possible</p>

	<p>Include copies of medical letters if you can</p>
<p>6</p> 	<p>You will have 6 weeks to complete your form and send it back.</p>
	<p>What can a Doctor do to help?</p>
 <p>SR1</p>	<p>You can ask the child's doctor for a form called "SR1"</p>
	<p>They will complete the SR1 form and send it to the DWP</p>
	<p><b>After you have sent application form</b></p>
	<p>The DWP will look at your application</p> <p>You will then get a letter within 3 weeks that explains how long it'll take to get a decision</p>





DWP will then send you a letter telling you how much DLA the child will get



The child now has DLA