



## Client Access Support Program

### Connect your clients with print disabilities to great books

If you are a professional who supports clients with print disabilities such as vision loss, learning disabilities or physical disabilities, you can receive free access to an entire library of reading materials for your clients through the CELA Client Access Support Program. CELA will help you make books and reading materials easily accessible and available to your clients.

#### What can CELA offer you and your clients?

- 1 million accessible books in audio, braille or accessible e-book formats
- Award winners, bestsellers and classics from all genres
- Free DAISY apps for iOS or Android devices
- Tutorials, videos and resources about CELA and accessible reading technologies

#### What is CELA?

The Centre for Equitable Library Access, CELA, is Canada's most comprehensive accessible reading service, providing books and other materials to Canadians with print disabilities in the formats of their choice. A national not-for-profit organization, CELA is fully funded to serve 97% of the estimated 3 million Canadians with print disabilities in partnership with member public libraries and offers a digital-only service to those in non-funded areas. CELA provides access to nearly 1,000,000 professionally produced titles to provide people with print disabilities with a quality library experience.

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# Q&A

## Who qualifies?

If you have a public library card and you're a professional who works with clients with print disabilities, you may qualify to access materials through the CELA Client Access Support Program. This program is designed to support physical, occupational and recreational therapists, private tutors and other support professionals.

## What's a print disability?

A print disability is any condition that makes it difficult or impossible to read standard print.

These include:

- Visual disabilities such as blindness or partial sight
- Physical disabilities which make it difficult or impossible for someone to hold a book or turn pages
- Learning disabilities and challenges relating to comprehension of print

## How do I access these resources?

Visit [celalibrary.ca](http://celalibrary.ca) to register and CELA will send you your log in via email.

## What resources are available?

CELA has a collection similar in scope to a public library. You'll find fiction, non-fiction, award winners, 150 magazines and 45 newspapers. CELA also supports Canada Reads, the Governor General and Scotiabank Giller Awards so there is plenty of choice.

## Does each client I support need their own account?

Professionals are able to borrow and download CELA materials on behalf of their patrons with print disabilities. Patrons with their own CELA accounts have access to additional titles through Bookshare and have the freedom to choose their own titles and explore CELA resources.

## What if I need technical support?

We have a wide variety of tutorials and resources available to help you and your clients learn how to access materials. Just visit our website [celalibrary.ca/tutorials](http://celalibrary.ca/tutorials) to get started.

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