***CVI Resources***

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**Strategy to See**

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**The following are CVI Resources for parents, teachers and other related service providers.**

**CORTICAL VISUAL IMPAIRMENT**

More information about the 10 Behavioral Characteristics of the CVI Range can be found at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Xj7gdqJy84>

CVI Overview can be found at: <http://wvde.state.wv.us/player.php?m=m4&vid=osp/cvi/cvi-overview>

Watch and Learn Videos from Perkins

<https://www.perkinselearning.org/videos>

Under the “Filter By Topic” arrow, choose “CVI”, and then click on “Apply

**BOOKS**

Lueck, Amanda H., and Gordon N. Dutton (Eds). (2015) *Vision and the Brain: Understanding Cerebral Visual Impairment in Children*. New York: American Foundation for the Blind.

<http://www.afb.org/store/Pages/ShoppingCart/HomePage.aspx>

or

<https://amzn.to/2TnVT1d>

Roman-Lantzy, Christine. (2018). *Cortical Visual Impairment: An Approach to Assessment and Intervention*, second edition. New York, New York: American Foundation for the Blind Press.

<http://www.afb.org/store/Pages/ShoppingCart/HomePage.aspx>

https://amzn.to/2sUqW9h

Roman-Lantzy, Christine. (2018). *Cortical Visual Impairment: Advanced Principles*. APH Press

<https://amzn.to/2FZn3Zn>

Sheline, Diane. (2011). *Strategy to See: Strategies for Students with Cerebral/Cortical Visual Impairment*. VeriNova, LLC.

<https://amzn.to/2MHQD6e>

*The Boy Who Could Run But Not Walk: Understanding Neuroplasticity in the Child’s Brain*, by Karen Pape, M.D., Barlow Book Publishing Inc., 2016

<https://amzn.to/2GqlpPW>

**ONLINE COURSES**

Check on current courses available at [www.perkinselearning.org](http://www.perkinselearning.org)

Check out the CVI Web Exercises through TSBVI.org

**iPad AND CVI**

Dr. Christine Roman-Lantzy: CVI and the iPad

<http://www.pathstoliteracy.org/resources/dr-christine-roman-lantzy-cvi-and-ipad>

Bubble Words in the You Doodle app

<http://www.pathstoliteracy.org/blog/cvi-adaptations-bubble-words-youdoodle-app>

iPad use and VP Shunt

<https://www.the-scientist.com/the-nutshell/ipad-affects-shunt-settings-40832>

**“BUBBLE WORDS” FOR STUDENTS WITH CVI**

<http://www.pathstoliteracy.org/technology/word-bubbling-tool-teaching-students-cvi>

Sample books for iPad or computer for Phase II

<http://www.pathstoliteracy.org/resources/weather-book-children-cvi>

<https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1-6d_GWzyowYEYJE9m9kubRKXznR9nRB2>

Link to create “Bubble Words”

<https://roman-word-bubbling.appspot.com/bWFsdmVla2F0b21teWh0bWw/romanwordbubbling.html>

Literacy Materials for Phase II and Phase III CVI

<https://startseeingcvi.com/2018/04/21/literacy-materials-for-phase-ii-and-phase-iii-cvi/>

CVI Adaptation: Bubble Words in the YouDoodle App

<http://www.pathstoliteracy.org/blog/cvi-adaptations-bubble-words-youdoodle-app>

CVI and Teaching Sight Words

<https://startseeingcvi.com/2018/05/11/cvi-and-teaching-sight-words/>

**ADDITIONAL LITERACY IDEAS**

<https://cvi.aphtech.org/?page_id=2115>

<https://cvi.aphtech.org/?page_id=620>

**TEACHING SALIENT FEATURES**

Supporting Language for Salient Feature Understanding, by Ellen Mazel

<https://cviteacher.wordpress.com/2018/12/21/supporting-language-for-salient-feature-understanding/>

More information about identifying salient features of 7 key expressions; <https://www.scienceofpeople.com/microexpressions/>

For instruction in creating a salient feature dictionary, see;

<http://www.pathstoliteracy.org/resources/salient-features-dictionary>

**PARENT WEEKLY PHONE CALL**

Lighthouse Guild International

National Tele-Support Network for Parents of Children with Visual Impairments (hosts an on-going Telephone Support Group for parents of children with CVI)

Dr. Linda Gerra, Phone: 800-562-6265

E-mail: [parentgroups@lighthouseguild.org](mailto:parentgroups@lighthouseguild.org)

<http://www.lighthouseguild.org/programs-services/education/support-for-parents-of-children-with-visual-impairments/tele-support-groups-parents/>

**For what it might be like to have CVI, see The CVI Society’s 3 videos at:**

<https://cvisociety.org.uk/mem_portal.php?cat_id=41>

**YOU TUBE VIDEOS**

*Cortical Visual Impairment and the Evaluation of Functional Vision*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Xj7gdqJy84>

### *Cortical Vision Impairment: Assessment and Intervention*

### <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vyimDUgohcM>

**Podcasts**

Kaleidoscope: The Cortical Visual Impairment Podcast

eLearning to go: Perkins School for the Blind

**APH MATERIALS**

There are several items offered by APH (American Printing House for the Blind) that might be appropriate for this student, including but not limited to; Lightbox and Lightbox materials I, Invisiboard, Tri-fold board, selected items from the ToAD Kit (theToAD Flashlight attachments), All-in-One Board, Plexiglass Spinner and Spinner Patterns, Swirly Mats, Spangle Tangle: Play and Explore and selected items from the Sensory Learning Kit (SLK).

See the APH website (specifically, the CVI section) for more information; <http://tech.aph.org/cvi/>

**FACEBOOK**

Facebook Communities who focus on CVI:

<https://www.facebook.com/cvicommunity?ref=hl>

<https://www.facebook.com/AdaptedWorld>

The CVI Neuroplasticity Research Group is a page focused on neuroplasticity research for CVI. Follow them for great technical explanations of CVI, research, upcoming seminars, and informational webinars as they work to better understand the science of CVI.

[CVI Neuroplasticity Research Group](https://www.facebook.com/CVI.Neuroplasticity/)

The Start Seeing CVI Facebook page is designed to educate and shed light on Cortical Visual Impairment. As the leading cause of visual impairment in children in the U.S., they are raising awareness with a great page of new treatment ideas, fun DIY tips, interesting research articles, and conference and e-learning registrations.

[Start Seeing CVI](https://www.facebook.com/StartSeeingCVI/)

This is the Facebook page for the Little Bear Sees organization, a non-profit organization that was created to share all kinds of information on CVI education and treatment. They have developed several resources that help children afflicted with Cortical Visual Impairment. Their Facebook page is a great place for inspiration, product updates, news, articles, and tips.

[Little Bear Sees](https://www.facebook.com/littlebearsees/)

CVi Connect has a new iPad application that follows Dr. Christine Roman-Lantzy’s approach and interventions by presenting customized activities for all CVI phases, collecting visual data using the iPad camera, and interpreting that data to continue a customized learning plan for children with CVI. The Facebook page for this new application offers quality CVI educational articles, innovative treatment ideas, inspirational discussion, and general updates about CVI.

<https://www.facebook.com/cviconnect/>

The American Printing House for the Blind (APH) has been an advocate for the blind and visually impaired since 1858. In fact, APH is the world’s largest nonprofit organization creating educational and independent living products for people who are blind and visually impaired. APH provides specialized materials, products, and services needed for education and life, including valuable CVI related products and information.

<https://www.facebook.com/AmericanPrintingHouse/>

CVI Phase III Community is a page dedicated to learning specifically about Phase III of the CVI Range. They reach out to parents, families, educators, and professionals to further the understanding and commitment to Cortical Visual Impairment. Their page is frequently updated with new aids, tips, and education pieces for children with CVI.

[CVI phase III Community](https://www.facebook.com/cvicommunity/)

Cortical Visual Impairment (CVI) Awareness is a closed group that you have to request to join. Once accepted, you will find a terrific resource for families, friends, and educators to learn more about CVI. The page enables sharing information on products, DIY ideas, educational opportunities, as well as inspirational support.

[Cortical Visual Impairment (CVI) Awareness](https://www.facebook.com/groups/68372023824/)

Thinking Outside the Lightbox is a Facebook page created as a place to share ideas and ask questions about CVI. It is a good forum for new parents that have just discovered their child has CVI, as well as parents and families that have already been working with a child with CVI. They are a great resource for ideas about vision therapy, toys and aids for CVI children. Additionally, they offer a place for general discussion.

[Thinking Outside the Lightbox](https://www.facebook.com/Thinkingoutsidethelightbox/)

**ADDITIONAL LINKS AND WEBSITES**

To see how to make many of the visual targets mentioned in this report, go to Diane Sheline’s website, strategytosee and look under the pull down window titled, “DIY” at;

[www.strategytosee.com](http://www.strategytosee.com)

See Ellen Mazel’s video, “Color Highlighting for Children with CVI” at: <http://www.perkinselearning.org/videos/teachable-moment/color-highlighting-children-cvi>

“Goodnight Moon”: Accessible Ideas for Children with Multiple Disabilities

<http://www.pathstoliteracy.org/strategies/goodnight-moon-accessible-ideas-children-multiple-disabilities>

[www.cvisociety.org](http://www.cvisociety.org)

Dr. Gordon Dutton (my personal hero) and others at this website provide great information, including “The Tree of Vision”

[www.cviteacher.wordpress.com](http://www.cviteacher.wordpress.com)

Ellen Mazel is a CTVI and CVI advisor (now at Perkins) who runs this website and contributes information and interesting posts

[www.everydaycvi.com](http://www.everydaycvi.com)

A mother of a child with CVI shares her tips and ideas

<http://www.littlebearsees.org/>

Website raises awareness of CVI, offers resources and more. Two iPad Apps, specifically designed for students with CVI, are reviewed at this site.

[www.wonderbaby.org](http://www.wonderbaby.org)

Wonderbaby.org is a project funded by Perkins School for the Blind to help parents of young children with visual impairments.

<http://wvde.state.wv.us/osp/vi/cvi/cvi-special-topics.html>

West Virginia Dept. of Education

<http://www.pathstoliteracy.org/>

Paths to Literacy

<http://tech.aph.org/cvi/>

American Printing House for the Blind

[www.cviconnect.co/](http://www.cviconnect.co/)

CViConnect

[www.perkinselearning.org/cvi](http://www.perkinselearning.org/cvi)

Perkins eLearning

CVI Hub

[www.activelearningspace.org](http://www.activelearningspace.org)

Dr. Lilli Nielsen’s techniques that emphasize simple ways to change the environment so that a child becomes an “active learner”

<http://www.perkins.org/stories/category/cvi>

Perkins School for the Blind

<http://www.familyconnect.org/parentsitehome.aspx>

Family Connect

[www.pinterest.com](http://www.pinterest.com)

Use the search bar and type in Cortical Visual Impairment

Webinar offered by Perkins on iPad apps

<http://www.perkinselearning.org/webinar/iexploration-using-ipad-vision-stimulation>