



## **SPECIFIC LEARNING DIFFICULTIES ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED**

**Clever Schools and Clever Homes create clever kids- best practice for supporting all students particularly those with learning difficulties**

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### **Clever Byte #3: Create a strategies folder**

Age 7 to adult

#### **What is a strategies folder?**

A strategies folder may be an A4 display folder, a folder on a laptop or mobile phone.

#### **How to use a strategies folder**

A strategies folder goes everywhere with its owner

#### **A strategies folder provides**

Ready access to the aids/prompts that help the individual organise themselves and their work

#### **Strategies folders can be used to store:**

- an individualised list of commonly misspelt words
- sentence starters
- adjectives to promote more colourful written language
- writing templates
- tables chart
- lesson timetable
- homework guidelines

#### **To be effective**

- content included in the strategies folder needs to have been explicitly taught to a student before it is added to the folder
- students need to be encouraged to use their strategies folder regularly
- the contents of a strategies folder should be cleaned out/evaluated regularly e.g. at the beginning of each school/university holiday