

# iMAGiNE iD



**Our Research Findings**

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You took part in the IMAGINE Study. We want to tell you what we found.



## What happened?

We asked an adult that knows you well some questions about your life.



They told us about your learning and how you have been feeling.

They also told us about what you find easy and what you find hardest in everyday life.

We spoke to the parents of nearly 3000 children who had a rare genetic condition.



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## IMAGINE children are unique



Everyone is different – and the children in IMAGINE are different too!

We all have different brains and learn and feel in our own way.

Parents told us about all the wonderful ways in which IMAGINE children are unique.



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## IMAGINE Children are Complex

1 in 3 children in IMAGINE had an Autism Spectrum Condition.

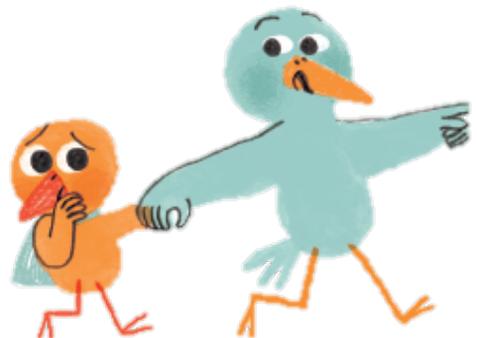
People with an autism spectrum condition have a **different way of thinking** about the world around them.



Children with autism may find it hard to understand why some people do or say the things they do.



Many children with autism told us they don't like changes at all, especially unexpected ones.



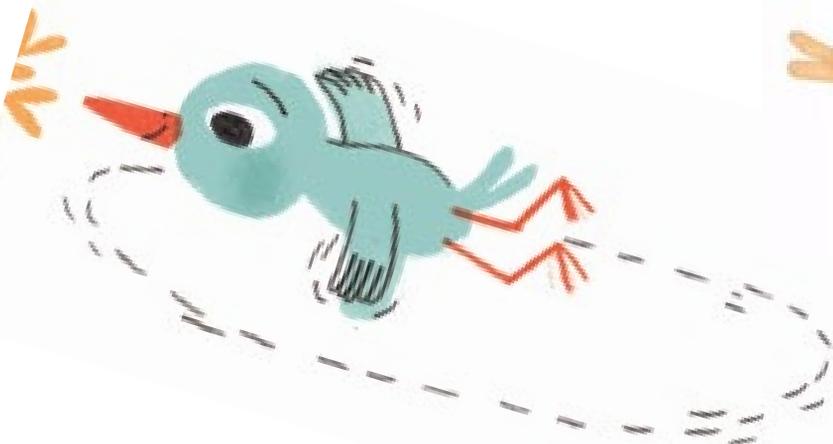
1 in 5 children in IMAGINE had a condition called **Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)**

People with ADHD can have a **harder time staying focused** and controlling their behaviour.

This can make it hard to do things like pay attention in class.

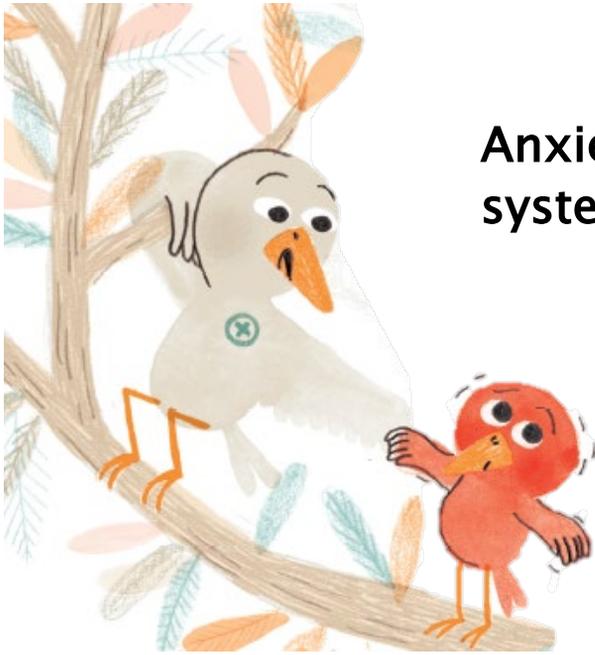


This might mean acting without stopping to think first or blurting out answers



**1 in 10 children in IMAGINE found it hard to manage their worries**

IMAGINE children can have difficulties with anxiety.



**Anxiety is our body's alarm system; it helps us stay safe.**

When this alarm goes off, our body is telling us we may be in danger.

But sometimes our anxiety alarm also goes off in situations when we're not really in danger, and this means we feel scared when we don't need to be.



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## IMAGINE children have lots of qualities

Parents told us their children were:

- ✿ affectionate
- ✿ caring
- ✿ Have a great sense of humour!





Thank you for making the IMAGINE  
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