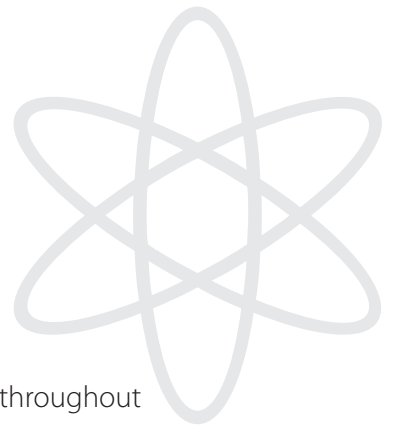


General facts about stammering



- ✿ Stammering has been around for centuries and, throughout history, many famous people have stammered, such as King George VI, Marilyn Monroe, Winston Churchill and, more recently, Rowan Atkinson, Bruce Willis and Tiger Woods.
- ✿ It occurs across the world and it is more common in boys than girls.
- ✿ Stammering tends to start between the ages of two and five, at a time when speech and language are developing.
- ✿ Research has shown that about five per cent of children start to stammer and one per cent continue to stammer into adult life. That means that approximately four out of five children will overcome the difficulty. Research is helping us work out which children are most likely to persist and what sorts of therapy may help.
- ✿ Stammering is a complicated problem because there is no single cause of stammering and no simple cure.

Multifactorial model

