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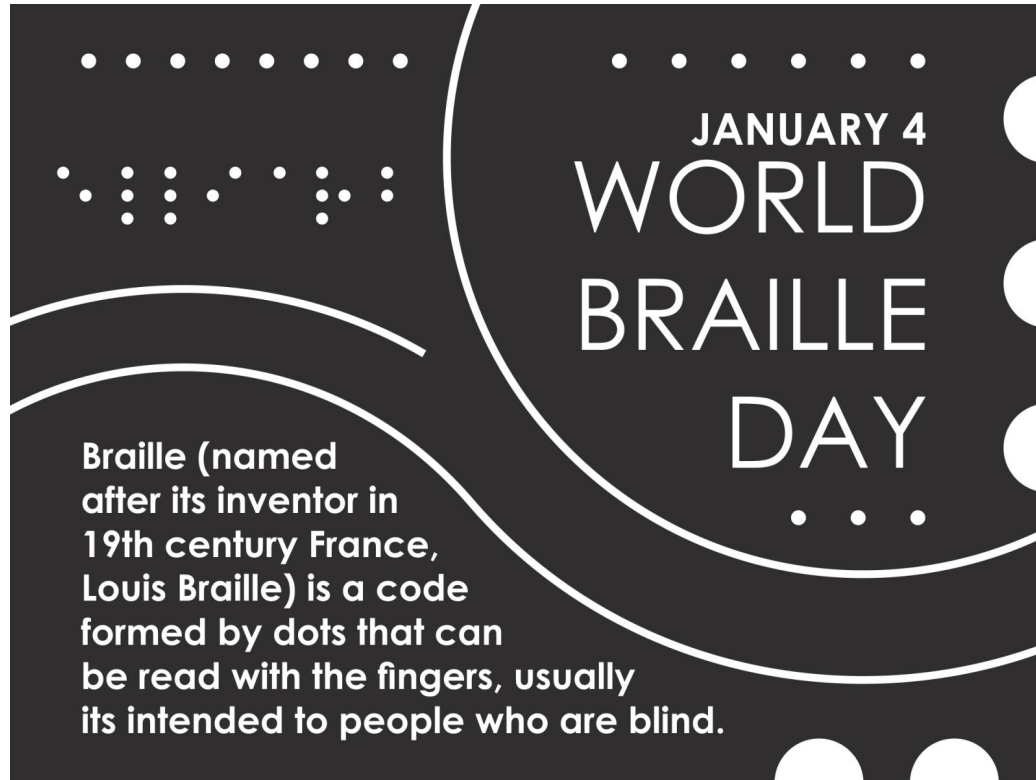




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World Braille Day



Why is this so important?

- In the UK, more than 2 million people are living with sight loss
- Around 340,000 are registered as blind or partially sighted
- Globally, the World Health Organisation estimates at least 1 billion people have some sort of vision impairment
- The General Assembly of the United Nations decided in 2018 to dedicate the 4th January as World Braille Day, recognising it as important and fundamental to human rights. It has been celebrated since 2019.
- E.g. Braille can ensure a person can vote in an election or read music (which has its own version of Braille)

Why is it worth celebrating?

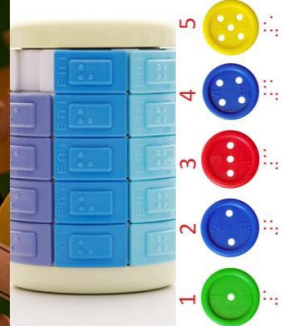
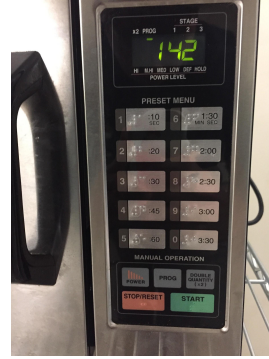
World Braille Day is a reminder of the importance of accessibility and independence for people who are blind or visually impaired.

Today's reality is that many establishments, such as restaurants, banks, and hospitals, don't offer braille versions of their print materials like menus, statements, and bills. Because of this, people with blindness or visual impairments often don't have the freedom to choose a meal on their own or keep their finances private.

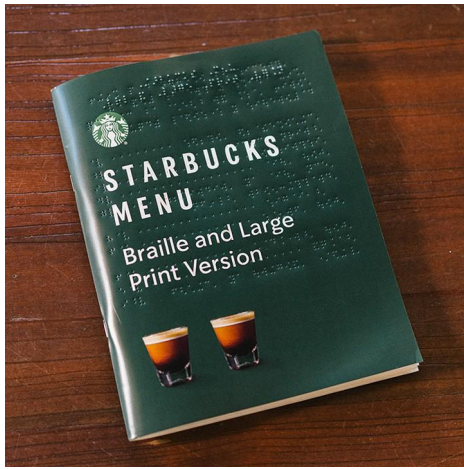
This day spreads awareness about braille and other accessible forms of communication. Everyone deserves (and is legally entitled to) the same accommodations and services, regardless of ability. Let's remember that and do our part to make our workplaces more accessible for everyone.

<https://brailleworks.com/what-is-world-braille-day/>

Everyday Items containing Braille



Inclusive Companies



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**ACCESSIBILITY
AND INCLUSION**





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What can we do to support people living with vision loss or blindness?

- The Royal National Institute for Blind People is there to support those who are dealing with sight loss or blindness - including Braille courses for those wanting to learn Braille
- Educate ourselves further:
- <https://brailleworks.com/what-is-world-braille-day/>
- <https://brailleworks.com/world-braille-day/>
- <https://worldblindunion.org/>
- We can look for companies who are inclusive and include Braille on items and buy their products

Let's see how much we've learnt...

<https://t.kahoot.it/details/8d409a65-2e5f-4bd9-98b0-c43ed0522fff>

