

## 《双语：英国一男子脸盲症不识妻儿》

Daniel Devlin lives in the same house as his children and sees them every day – yet he is unable to recognise them at all.

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Mr Devlin, 46, from Nunhead, London, is living with a bizarre condition called prosopagnosia, also known as face-blindness, meaning he struggles to recognise faces - even those of his own family.

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Mr Devlin, a painter, has been forced to memorise his family's voices and body language in order to know who they are.

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But reading voices and body language doesn't always work, and he has even mistaken another boy for his son when picking his children up from school before.

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Mr Devlin said: 'Humans have a special ability to recognise people by seeing their faces, I really don't have this ability.'

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'Maybe a good way to imagine what it's like to have prosopagnosia is to try and recognise people by what their hands look like.'

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'Every person has a different hand but if someone showed you a photo of someone's hands, you might struggle to recognise who the person is, even if that person turns out to be someone you know very well.'

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'I just thought that everyone was the same or maybe I just wasn't putting in as much effort as others to remember



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He said: 'I heard a programme about it on the radio and realised that's what I had.

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Test confirmed he was suffering from face-blindness.

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It is thought the condition affects up to one in 50 people, the equivalent of about 1.5 million people in the UK.

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Some people with prosopagnosia may only struggle to recognise a familiar face, but in more severe cases sufferers cannot distinguish a face as being different from an object.

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Some sufferers are unable to recognise their own faces.

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