

A Letter To My Son,

You have heard the song many times before but the presentation clearly chronicles that this song was written in memory of Vincent Van Gogh as a tribute by Don McLean, in the seventies.

It is rumored that Van Gogh's painting of the 'starry nights' was painted during his confinement in an asylum and that he sold only one painting during his lifetime as he was unknown at that time.

That's perhaps what caused him to fall into an abyss of depression which eventually led to his suicide.

How tragic for him to have felt so hopeless and misunderstood in spite of being so gifted!

It was a pity that medical science was not yet ready to help him and had no knowledge of Dyslexia.

You see Van Gogh was Dyslexic. Many people who have Dyslexia (including my son) are painfully misunderstood. They are usually quite ingenious, brilliant people who struggle with the most basic things. Another example of this is Albert Einstein, a mathematical genius who could barely recall his times tables.

As it turns out, the year 2010, in terms of Australia, are no different to Van Gogh's time. There is no acknowledgement of Dyslexia here, no support or extra funding for schools to help Dyslexic children who do not cope in our classrooms. Slowly they drown and like my son they battle depression and contemplate the same demise as Van Gogh.

Please turn on your speakers. Enjoy the presentation, look closely at the paintings and listen to the music. [Vincent Van Gogh Beautifully Presented](#)

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~ By Raelene