Understanding myopia

A clear look at your child's nearsightedness

95% of parents say their **child's eye health/vision is absolutely essential** to their child's overall well-being.¹



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WHAT IS MYOPIA?

Myopia is more **commonly referred to as nearsightedness**, or the inability to see objects clearly at a distance. The reason objects are blurry in the distance with nearsightedness is because the eye becomes longer as the child grows.



A GROWING CRISIS

In the early 1970s, only 25% of Americans were nearsighted.² Today, more than 40% of Americans are nearsighted, and that number is increasing at an alarming rate, especially among school-age children.^{2,3}



Myopia is commonly diagnosed in childhood. **Myopia can progress and worsen over time,** potentially leading to more severe sight conditions later in life, such as^{2,5-7}:

- Retinal detachment
- Myopic maculopathy
- Glaucoma
- Cataracts



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TOGETHER, WE CAN MANAGE MYOPIA

More than just vision correction, myopia management with MiSight[®] 1 day contact lenses can help keep your child's future brilliant.

MiSight[®] 1 day contact lenses:

- Correct distance vision immediately⁸
- Can slow myopia progression during the growing years⁹
- Provide a comfortable experience¹⁰
- Allow you to avoid the worry of losing or breaking glasses

- Accommodate a more active lifestyle¹⁰
- Affords children a significantly better quality of life compared to kids who wear glasses, especially regarding athletics and appearance⁸



WHAT CAUSES MYOPIA?

Myopia is on the rise – **in its frequency and its severity.**² The reason for its escalation has been linked to two factors²:



Genetics

Kids with one or two myopic parents are more likely to be myopic.²



Lifestyle

Spending more time on activities like reading or using handheld devices instead of spending time outdoors increases the likelihood of becoming myopic.²



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To learn more about managing myopia, please visit https://coopervision.com/contact-lenses/misight-1-day

Indications for use: MiSight[®] 1 day (omafilcon A) soft (hydrophilic) contact lenses for daily wear are indicated for the correction of myopic ametropia and for slowing the progression of myopia in children with non-diseased eyes, who at the initiation of treatment are 8-12 years of age and have a refraction of -0.75 to -4.00 diopters (spherical equivalent) with ≤ 0.75 diopters of astigmatism. The lens is to be discarded after each removal.

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