

Communication tips for:

Suggestions for speaking

- Clear **context**
- One** point at a time
- Check for understanding
- Use facial expression, gestures, and tone of voice

If I get stuck on a word I can...

- Give myself a hint
- Describe the word
- Use writing
- Use drawings and photographs

Give myself a hint

- For **numbers**:
 - Try counting first
- For words in a list like the **days of the week**
 - Try reciting the other days
- Try saying words that are **similar**

Describe the word

- What does it look like?
- What is it used for?
- Use gestures and pointing
- Say its **opposite**

Use writing

- Try to write the word
- Try to write part of the word
 - First letter
 - First sound
 - Try a computer

Use drawing and photographs

- Make simple drawings
- Use photographs to give **context**

Suggestions for listening

- Clear** context
- Watch facial expression, gestures, tone of voice
- Do **not** pretend to understand