

People who are hard of hearing find it hard to hear. They might use hearing aids or other tools to help.



People who are hard of hearing use different ways to talk. They might use a mix of hearing and seeing to understand others.



Lip reading is when you watch someone's lips to understand what they are saying. It helps a lot in noisy places.



Captions are words on the screen that show what people say. They help people who can't hear well understand videos and TV.

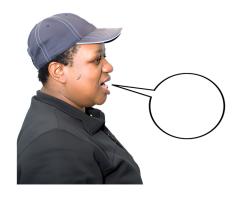


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Some people who can't hear well use sign language to communicate.



Quiet meeting spaces can help people who are hard of hearing focus on talking without extra noise.



Clear speech helps people who are hard of hearing understand. This means speaking clearly and facing the person.



Surrey Coalition of Disabled People run a group for people who are hard of hearing or deaf.



They campaign for SMS text numbers to be available for people that are unable to use the phone.



They also work with audiology clinics to improve service. An audiologist is a doctor for hearing.



Anybody that is hard of hearing or deaf can join the group. Carers are welcome to join too. We meet either virtually or in person for our meetings.



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