

Contract for support

I would like my support worker to:

Position where seated:

- To sit next to me
- To sit in front of me with back to teacher
- To stand at the front of the classroom.
- To sit in a different part of the room.

Communication method

- To sign to me when the teacher is talking.
- To sign to me when I indicate that I need signing.
- To lip speak for me.
- To take notes for me.
- To do nothing while the teacher is talking.
- To type what the teacher is saying for me to read.

What to do during the lesson

- To stay with me all through the lesson.
- To move round the classroom helping other people.
- To help my friends who are sitting near me.
- To move away from me as soon as I know what I'm doing.

Sort of help

- To use pictures to help me to understand.
- To draw things to help me understand.
- To go over what the teacher has said.
- To explain the work I need to do.
- To help me to do the work.
- To interpret for me while I talk to the teacher.
- To show me where I am when the teacher is reading a text.
- To give me an example of the work.
- To change the writing the teacher wants me to copy if I don't understand it.

Help with behaviour

- To remind me to concentrate if I'm not listening.
- To help me to behave better.
- To support the teacher to help me to behave better.
- To ignore behaviour until it is so bad that I have to leave the room.

Attitude to other students.

- To be friendly with me and me mates.
- To explain to my friends about my deafness.
- To treat me the same as they would treat anybody else.
- To give me INC merits when I do really well.

To get my attention

- To tap my _____
- To tap the table
- To say my name.

If we are watching video

- To use subtitles if at all possible.
- To sign it at the same time.
- To explain what is happening afterwards.
- To write down what is happening.

Communicating with the mainstream teacher

- Leave me to do it by myself.
- Act as an interpreter.
- Encourage me to do it by myself but stand nearby.
- Help me to write things to make communication easier.

I really hate it when a support worker