

Celebrate World Hearing Day

HOW TO BE HEARING LOSS FRIENDLY

Tips for communicating with a person who has a hearing loss:



Find good lighting and face the person so they can easily watch you speak.



Speak clearly and slowly. Repeat, then rephrase if the person does not understand you.



Do not exaggerate lip movements when speaking. Don't shout.



Get the person's attention and speak one at a time.



Reduce background noise or move to a quieter setting.



Be patient, write things down and avoid saying, "I'll tell you later."



Ask what is needed for the other person to understand you better and include them in all activities.