



# Total communication

Focus on Makaton signing



What is communication?



How much of your  
communication in a  
day is speech?

In neuro-typical people only 5  
07% of communication is verbal.

93% is non-verbal.

55 % is body language and 38 % is  
tone of voice.

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When signing just  
will not do!



Eye gaze – When physical  
and auditory control is  
impaired

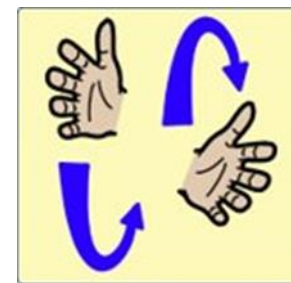
The method by which an individual uses their eyes  
to communication through low or high-tech means



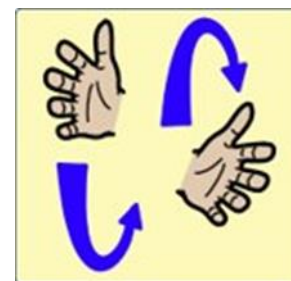
Speech



Symbol

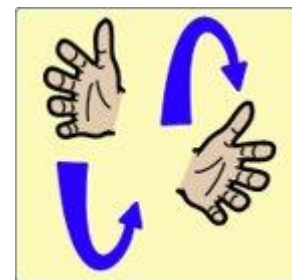


Sign





# Signing





# Overview of Signing Systems



## BSL

Language in it's own right  
Regional variations

Unique grammar  
Different word order  
No or little speech  
Use of finger spelling  
Also used in Signed Supported English

## Makaton

Signs from BSL  
Speech

Used along side speech in spoken word order  
Key word signing - concepts

## On Body Signs

Adapt/deliver signing into a tactile form –  
Makaton, BSL,  
Tassels, Canaan Barrie,

Mainly used alongside speech  
Deafblind could be signing BSL hand under hand  
Finger spelling



# Golden Rule

Always speak and sign  
together



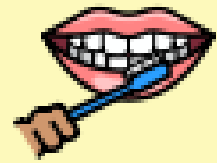


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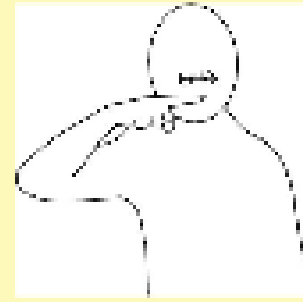
 Morning		 routine		 signing	
 wake up	 Index fingers and thumbs bring down				
 breakfast	 Tap twice below mouth				
 drink	 Small movement				
 eat					



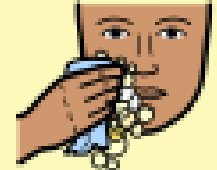
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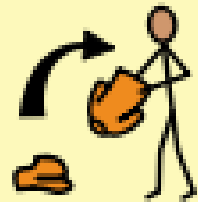
brush teeth



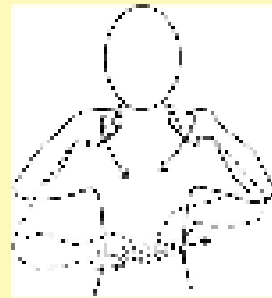
wash hands



wash face



get dressed





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morning



routine



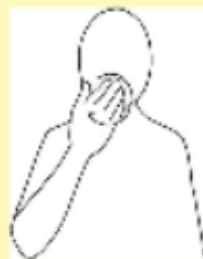
signing



taxi



school



love












bye







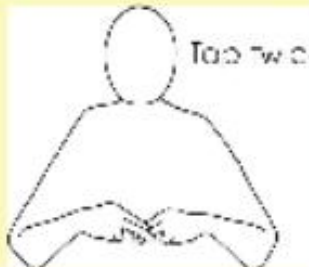

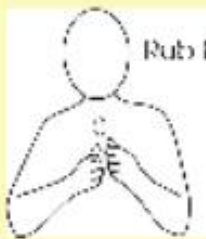




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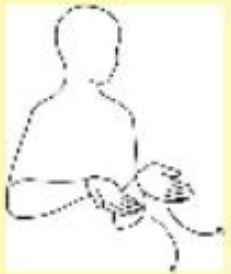




 family members	
 Grandma	
 Grandad	
 aunty	 index and middle finger tap chin twice
 uncle	 index and middle finger tap chin on right then on left



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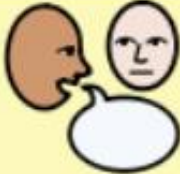




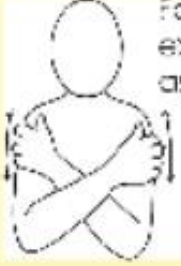
 family members	
 mum	 Tap twice
 dad	 Tap twice
 brother	 Rub knuckles Repeat
 sister	 Tap middle of nose twice Repeat



 positive    behaviour    support    signing	
 wait	
 share	
 take turns	 hands make a circle outward movement, leading to sign. Direct towards opposite people
 gentle	 One tap



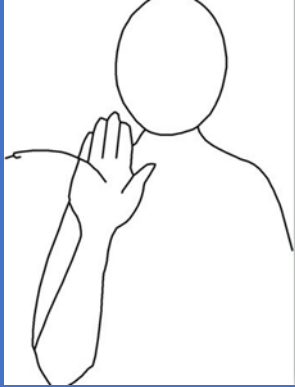


 Positive behaviour support signing	
 listen	
 talk	
 sorry	
 cuddle	 Facial expression as appropriate

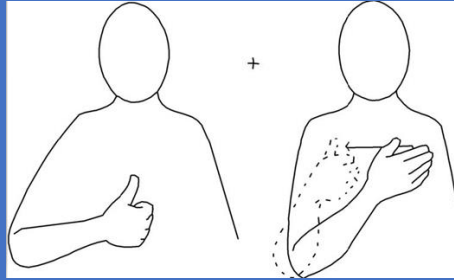
Other ways to learn to  
sign....

Learn it with song 😊





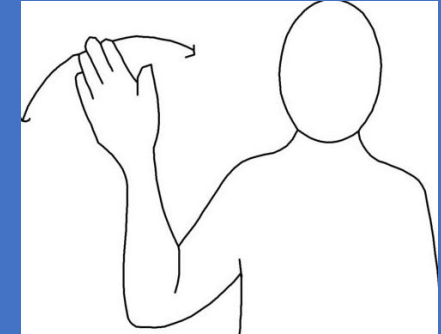
hello



Good  
Morning



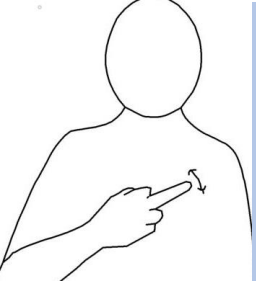



Good  
afternoon



goodbye

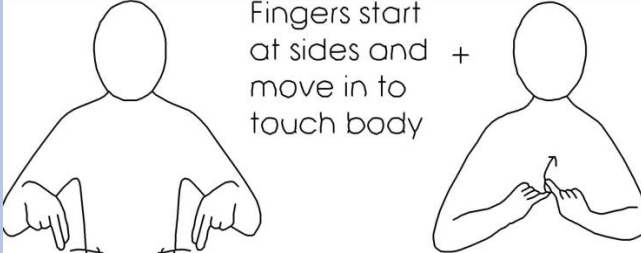
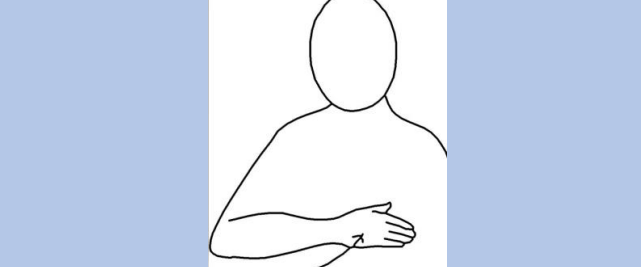




# Core signing - personal care

	<b>Toilet</b>
 <p>Mime as appropriate</p>	<b>Flush toilet</b>
 <p>Mime lathering soap</p>	<b>Soap</b>
 <p>Mime washing hands</p>	<b>Wash hands</b>

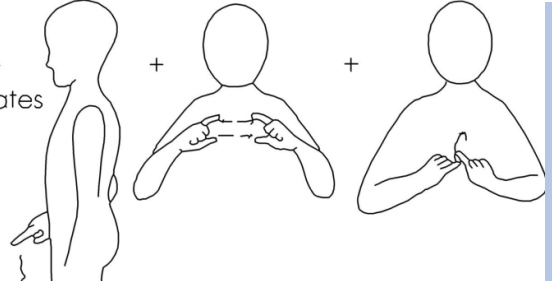

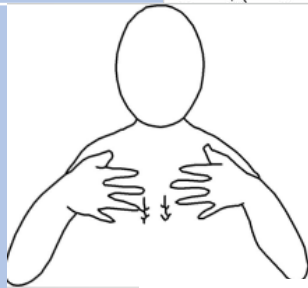
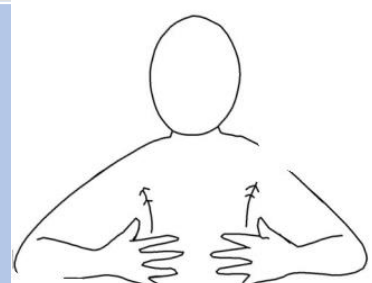


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 <p>Fingers start at sides and + move in to touch body</p>	<b>nappy</b>
	<b>wipes</b>
	<b>cream</b>
 <p>Index finger is inserted at base of cupped left hand</p>	<b>tampon</b>

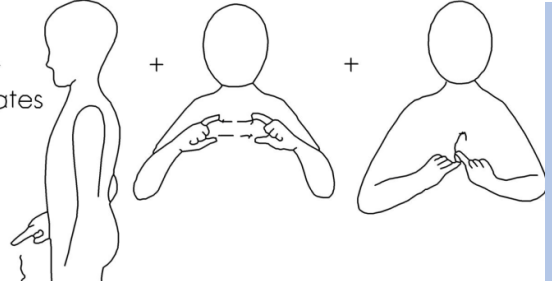

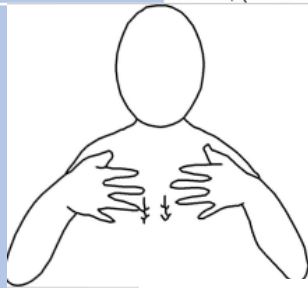
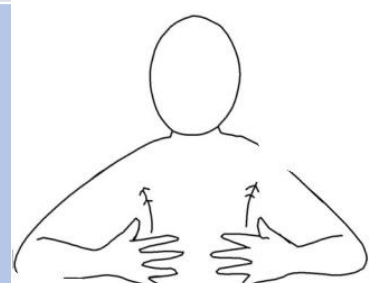


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<p>Right hand bleeds on left hand at vagina level</p>  <p>The diagram illustrates the signing for 'Periods'. It shows a person with their hands held in front of their body, with the right hand positioned higher than the left hand, indicating the location of the vagina.</p>	<p><b>Periods</b></p>
<p>Both hands, fingers apart, make two very quick downward movements on body</p>  <p>The diagram illustrates the signing for 'Dressing'. It shows a person with both hands held in front of their chest, with fingers spread. Two downward-pointing arrows indicate the quick downward movements of the hands.</p>	<p><b>Dressing</b></p>
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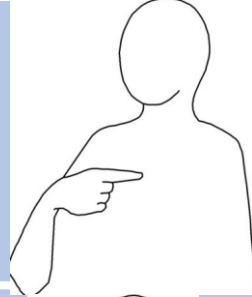
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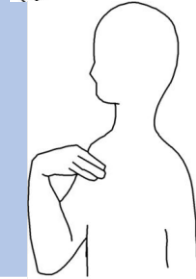


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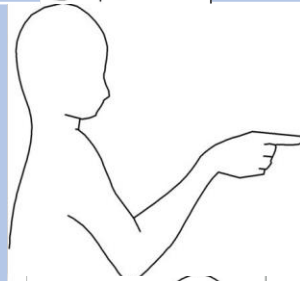
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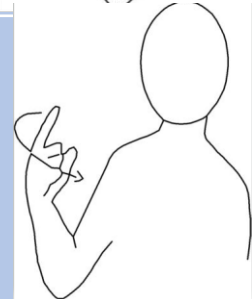
**I**



**me**



**you**

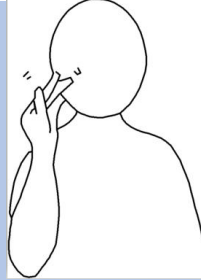


**they**

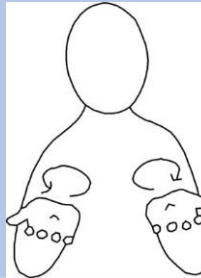


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# Core signing -WH words



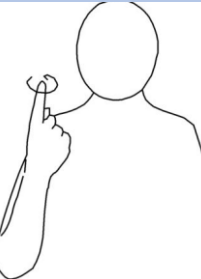
**when**



**where**



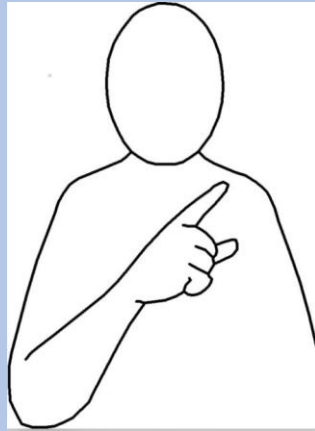
**which**



**who**



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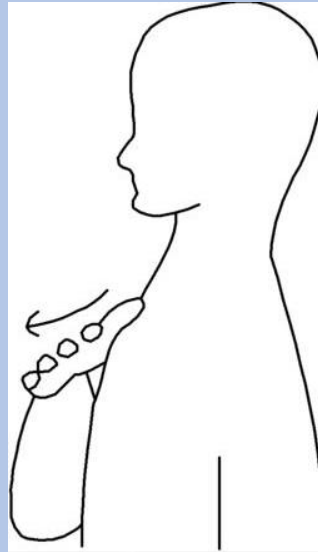


**why**



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# Core signing - want



**want**

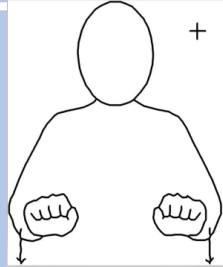


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# Core signing - classroom



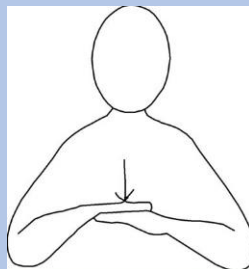
**drink**



**chair**



**wheelchair**

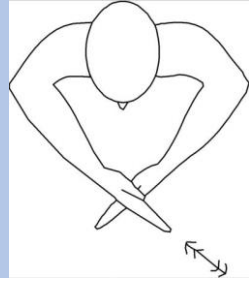


**sit**

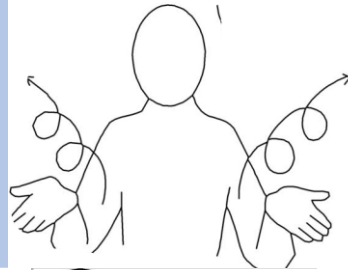


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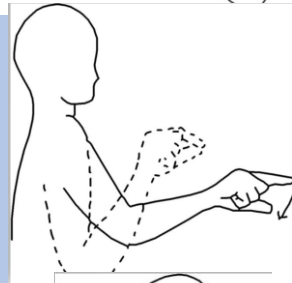
# Core signing - classroom



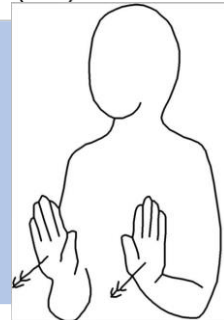
**work**



**play**



**choose**

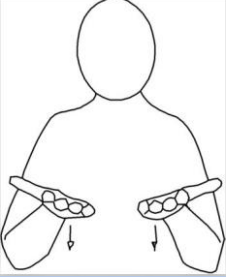
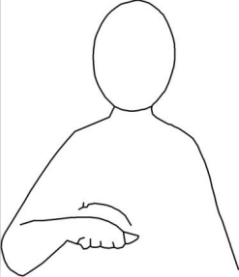




**wait**



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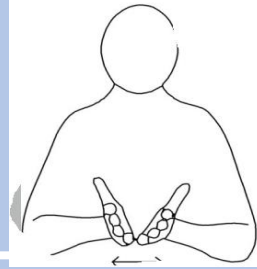
	<b>now</b>
	<b>next</b>
	<b>later</b>
	<b>Finished</b>





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# Core signing - classroom



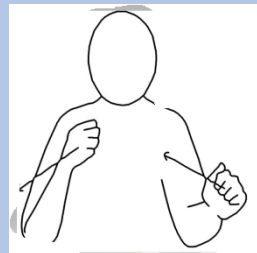
**reading**



**writing**



**maths**



**Drama**



Your turn!

Simple sentences

The less said the better  
to support processing  
and working memory.



Your turn!

Now..... Then.....

Activity (finished) then

.....

I want... you want.....



Your turn!

Simple sentences

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and working memory.



## Training?

What is useful to you?

How do you like to learn?

What type of timing?



Did you know.....

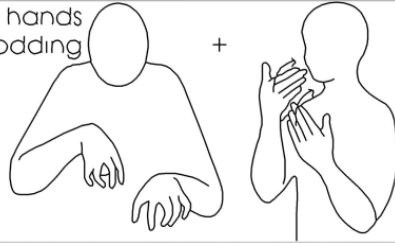
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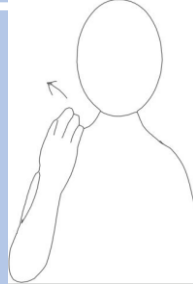
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# Topic signs

Clawed hands  
mime plodding



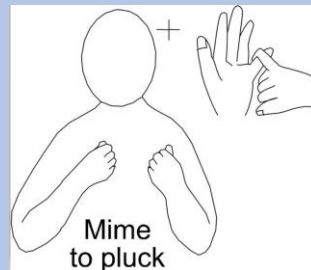
**Dinosaur**



**history**



**scales**



**feathers**