



Deaf Awareness Week

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When you meet a deaf person

- Face the person while you are speaking, don't turn away
- Speak clearly without shouting
- Repeat yourself if necessary
- Never say 'It doesn't matter'
- If the person doesn't understand you, don't give up!
- Write it down or draw a picture
- Speak one at a time, don't talk over each other
- Keep your mouth visible
- Smile and relax
- Don't speak too quickly or too slowly

At least
24,000 people
in the UK use British
Sign Language (BSL)
as their main
language

There are
11 million people
with hearing loss
across the UK

There are
50,000 children
with hearing loss
across the UK

#DAW2020

www.deafcouncil.org.uk

Deaf Awareness Week is co-ordinated by UK Council on Deafness
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As a fun activity see if you can learn how to finger spell your name!
Then you can teach your family too!

There is a video and a poster to help you.

Good luck 😊

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DglvXXdwjvw>

If the link doesn't work search – National Deaf Society fingerspelling on
Youtube

The British fingerspelling alphabet

Aa



Bb



Cc



Dd



Ee



Ff



Gg



Hh



Ii



Jj



Kk



Ll



Mm



Nn



Oo



Pp



Qq



Rr



Ss



Tt



Uu



Vv



Ww



Xx



Yy



Zz

