

Barriers to communication

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Barriers to communication | Ways to overcome the barrier | A person could be deaf, so obviously they cannot hear what anybody is saying to them, they wouldn't be able to hear somebody calling them over and they won't know if people are talking about them which could also lower their self-esteem. | This person could still be communicated with by others that know sign language, people could learn sign language so they can interact and communicate with this person, or written communication could be used so people are still able to talk to this person.

| People from different cultures may not speak the same language which is a barrier to communication, because they will not be able to understand what you are saying and you will not be able to understand them. | This can be solved by having a translator to help you communicate, you could also try to understand their language by having someone teach you. Pictures and signs could be used to communicate visually making it easier to communicate.

| Having a lack of confidence could be a barrier to communication because the person won't feel confident enough to speak to you, be reverse, shy and scared, and lack of confidence could prevent communication skills from developing. | Ways to overcome this could be to make the person feel comfortable, start off the conversation, make the person feel like you are interested and make them feel better about themselves. | If a person is blind they could feel uncomfortable speaking to people because they won't be able to see who they're talking to, feel vulnerable, scared and unsafe.

| Having a person that they know and feel comfortable around with them, would help because they then would feel safe and secure having somebody

they trust with them | Speech difficulties. A person may not be able to speak due to damage to the brain or vocal cords or any other problems they may have which doesn't allow them to speak. | Electronic speech synthesizers could solve this problem. It allows people who have problems with speaking, to communicate with others although they can't actually speak themselves.

| Having parent's who are deaf/have speech difficulties could be a problem, it could prevent communication skills developing because their parent's can't speak to hem, teaching them communication skills as they grow up. | Being at nursery, and schools will help this situation. The child will be around others who will speak and communicate in other ways with them. Teaching them communication skills. Having a family member, friend or helper who has no speech difficulties, around the child as he or she grows up would make a difference because he or she can pick up the communication skills they need from that person.