

# Useful links for families with children and young people with speech, language and communication needs



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## Communication Basics

<https://www.disabilitymatters.org.uk/course/view.php?id=68>

This free learning session explores what we mean by communication – what it is, how and why we do it.

## Understanding Matters for Effective Communication

<https://www.disabilitymatters.org.uk/course/view.php?id=69>

This free learning session will help you to improve your chances of being understood and your awareness of whether or not you have been understood when you communicate, including with children and young people with Speech, Language and Communication Needs (SLCN), learning disabilities, social communication difficulties and Autism Spectrum Disorders.

## Three-way Communication Matters

<https://www.disabilitymatters.org.uk/course/view.php?id=70>

Communication with disabled children and young people is often a three-way event, involving you, the young person and accompanying adult. This free learning session helps you to plan for and achieve effective three-way communication which focuses firmly on the child or young person.

## Communication Support Tools

<https://www.disabilitymatters.org.uk/course/view.php?id=86>

This free learning session explores a range of tools which support direct communication with disabled children and young people about things that matter. It also signposts you towards sources of skilled support and advice and more advanced communication tools.

## Communication Matters in Health

<https://www.disabilitymatters.org.uk/course/view.php?id=87>

This free learning session looks at how to enable effective and accurate communication with disabled children and young people about their health needs and care needs.

## Communication Matters in Learning

<https://www.disabilitymatters.org.uk/course/view.php?id=71>

This free learning session looks at how to communicate effectively with disabled children and young people in and about their learning, in educational settings and beyond.



### **Communication Matters in the Legal System**

<https://www.disabilitymatters.org.uk/course/view.php?id=95>

This free learning session looks at how to enable best communication and best evidence with disabled children and young people involved in legal proceedings as either victims, witnesses, defendants or as parties in civil or family proceedings.

### **Communication Matters**

<http://www.communicationmatters.org.uk>

Charity that aims to increase understanding, awareness and knowledge of the needs of people with complex communication needs

### **I CAN**

<http://www.ican.org.uk>

The children's communication charity

### **Afasic**

<http://www.afasic.org.uk>

More resources about speech, language and communication needs