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Top Tips for including a hearing impaired student

* Hearing aids/Cochlear Implants worn and in working order
* Gain the child’s attention before starting to speak or sign
* Pupils seated close to the speaker with a good view of the white board and rest of the class (towards the front to the side)
* Face the child in good light, don’t cover your mouth or turn away when speaking – make sure face is visible
* Pre and post tutoring – chance to go over stories or work again
* Keep background noise to a minimum
* Repeat back the contributions of other pupils
* Group work – move the child and their group to a quiet area
* Give visual cues and prompts
* Allow extra time for the child to process and respond to information