

Potential barriers to learning and solutions

Potential barriers	Solutions
Managing Time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Use visuals and visual timetables to support students understanding and designing the order of tasks ● Provide opportunities for regular check in's ● Use colour coded schedules ● Provide checklists ● Online calendars, timers and reminders
Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Use photographs, visuals and symbols to support understanding ● Make use of digital technologies such as keyboards and cameras to support expression ● Offer multiple ways to express understanding. These might include drawing, modelling and using real objects ● Use flexible timeframes so that students aren't time pressured
Focusing and understanding tasks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Make graphic organisers and flow charts available to support learning tasks ● Break up tasks into small manageable chunks ● Use multiple ways to engage learners in tasks ● Use online spaces so students can locate content and the support required for understanding and completing the tasks ● Clearly locate and identify supports for tasks in defined areas of the learning space ● Offer headphone, quiet spaces and areas where students can reduce distractions ● Specifically say and display lists of materials required for certain learning tasks
Need for routine and structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Use visual timetable to support transitions throughout the day and week ● Assess to online calendars and timetables to ensure students are aware of any changes to routines or events ● Involve students in the design of class routines ● Provide spaces that students can personalise and use as a home base ● Give advance warning of any changes to routines ● Access to key adults or learning support buddies ● Offer verbal and visual warnings before class transitions