

Present information in different ways

A suggestion for implementing the strategy 'Helpful classroom strategies years 1-8' from the Guide: [Deaf and hard of hearing](#)

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Increase access to content

Ideas for presenting and sharing content and instructions in more than one way.

- ✓ Take a multisensory approach – use real experiences, physical activity and manipulables to support understanding.
- ✓ Support text and spoken information with photos, graphics, audio and video.
- ✓ Present digital text rather than printed text so that students can personalise it (for example, by enlarging it or listening to it).
- ✓ Use blogs, wikis and online tools such as Moodle to bring together different versions of content in one place (for example, a YouTube video, a graphic and some text).
- ✓ Make instructions, demonstrations, or key content rewindable and accessible 24/7.

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Use closed captions



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Find videos with closed captions

Use video with closed captions to support access for students who are deaf or hard of hearing.

Search for YouTube and open the home page.



Type search subject (for example “frogs”) into YouTube search bar and press return key.



On left of screen, click the tab called “Filters” and a menu box will open.



Select “subtitles/CC” under the Features list.



Select a video from the selection of filtered videos presented by YouTube.



Watch the selected video with the closed captions turned on to check for accuracy before sharing with students.



Share closed captioned video with students.

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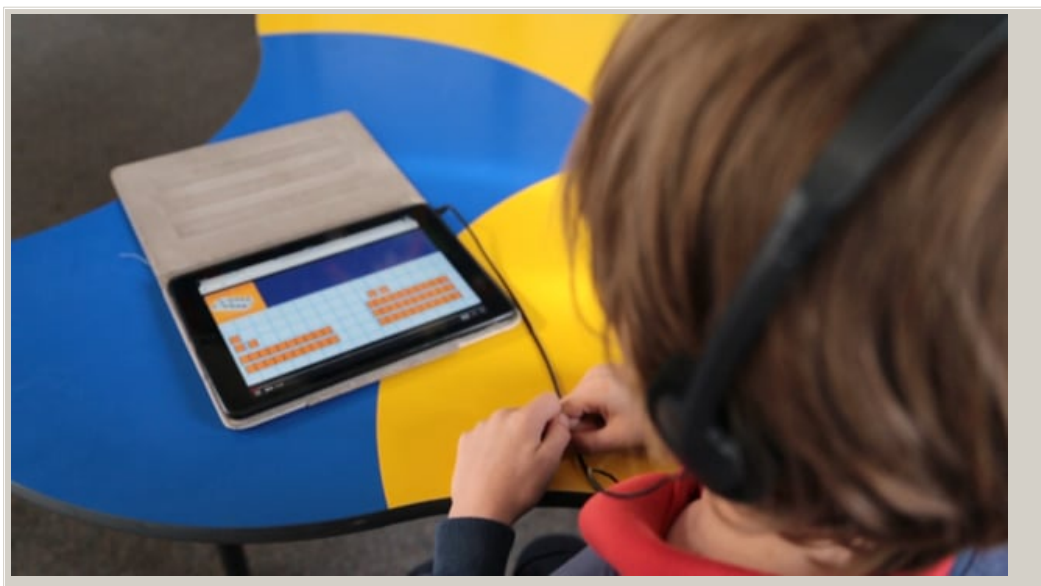
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Offer text-to-speech tools

Offer text-to-speech tools to read text aloud and support comprehension. Free text-to-speech tools are available across all computer operating systems.



Video hosted on Vimeo <http://vimeo.com/105617225>

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Useful resources



Live Transcribe - Android

A smartphone app by Google providing real-time transcription of in-person speech and environmental sounds.

Publisher: Google Play

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Captify: Live Caption Deaf+HoH

This app uses the phone's mic and AI to caption real-life conversations. Can be used offline.

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