

# Support participation and build confidence

A suggestion for implementing the strategy 'Helpful classroom strategies years 9-13' from the Guide: [Deaf and hard of hearing](#)

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## Support student autonomy

A student describes how his teacher works in partnership with him to provide a more effective learning environment.



Video hosted on Vimeo <http://vimeo.com/61762058>

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Source:

[Enabling e-Learning \(NZ\)](#)

<https://elearning.tki.org.nz/Teaching/Inclusive-classrooms/Universal-Design-for-Learning/Customising-access-to-learning-at-high-school>

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# Build student confidence

Discuss with students what will support their participation and motivation.

Build these suggestions into your teaching practice.

- ✓ Ask your student what helps them to learn (for example, text-to-speech or quiet spaces) and build their suggestions into your planning.
- ✓ Use your knowledge of the student's interests, strengths and culture to create opportunities for them to take the lead.
- ✓ Identify classroom situations (jokes, verbal instructions given from a distance) that may exclude some students. Provide alternative access or information.
- ✓ Recognise avoidance strategies and provide support and encouragement.
- ✓ Give ongoing prompts and positive feedback, and provide strategies that help students when they get stuck.
- ✓ Create a class culture where students support each other.

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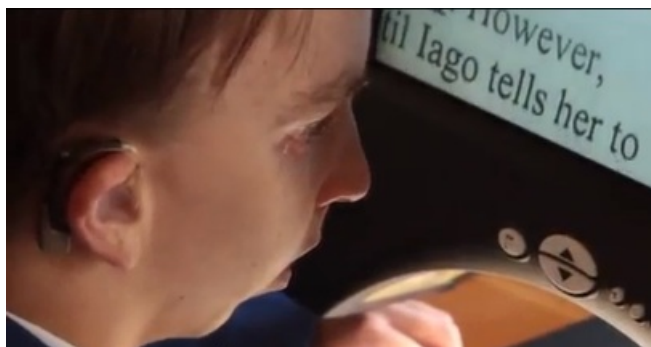
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## One-to one-interactions



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## Tips for school staff

NZSL is Zoe's first language. She shares useful tips for staff across the school on making Deaf students feel included.



Video hosted on Youtube <http://youtu.be/Fck570Qcw78>

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Source:

[Bridget Ferguson \(NZ\)](#)

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