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Classroom Strategies for Hard of Hearing Students

Possible impacts to the student in the classroom	How to help this student in the classroom
May miss up to 10% of speech when the teacher is at a distance greater than 3 feet.	Teacher to face the student, not the front board.
May miss word endings and sounds that are not emphasized clearly.	Provide good lighting in the classroom. Children with hearing loss “use their eyes to help their ears.”
May have difficulty hearing speech/instructions if there is background noise in the classroom.	Minimize background noise in the classroom.
Will have difficulty hearing the PA announcements or any audio equipment- especially at a distance.	When in groups, ensure only one student speaks at a time.
Hearing loss may look like inattention and/or behaviour.	Provide the student with a summary of important points.
May be more fatigued due to the extra effort needed to understand speech.	Provide a printout or repeat the important points of PA announcements.

Respect

Competence

Inclusion

Presence

Choice