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Listen To Me I know what I want to do

Attach a picture of yourself



Booklet 2

Listen to Me Listen to Me Listen to Me

There are four booklets in the "Listen To Me" series. Please read the guidance booklet first, which explains how parents, carers and professionals can support children and young people to make important decisions about their lives. One example would be to help children prepare for their review meetings.

Booklets 1 - 3 are to be used by adults with children and young people. All three booklets provide the same information, but each is written to suit children and young people at different stages of development. Parents, carers and professionals should choose the most appropriate booklet.

What is this leaflet for?

The booklet draws together examples of good practice and aims to encourage adults to be creative in helping children to express their views. What works best for one child, may not be appropriate for another.

The booklet is not designed for children and young people to look at on their own.

You may want to attach a picture of your child to the front cover when you share this booklet with them.

Please use the ideas in this booklet and ask the children and young people how they would like to express their views.

Thanks to Aiming High for Disabled Children for funding this booklet. You can photocopy these pages and cut out the pictures.



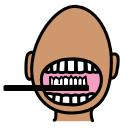




I can use symbols to tell you about me. Here are some examples

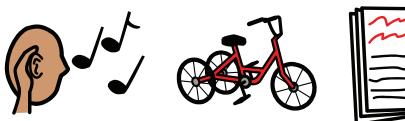






About me

- It's my life my views are really important
- I want to be able to tell you what I think
- I want to talk about what really matters to me
- I need to know who will be helping me to make plans
- There are lots of different ways I can tell people about me, but I may need some help





- If there is a meeting about me I want people to know what I am thinking even if I am not there
- I need to know what will happen next

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There are lots of ways I can tell people what I want to say....

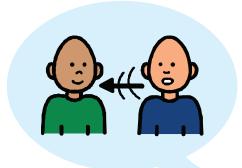


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After the meeting

Someone will talk to me about the meeting, especially if I am not there for all of it.



We are going to...

We talked about...

Meetings

- When there is a meeting about me I can go if I want, maybe for a short time
- I can tell people who I would like to be there

I will hear about what is going to happen next.

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• I will be told who else may be at the meeting

• We will talk about what may happen next

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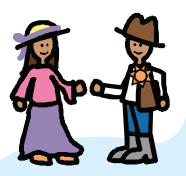






l can make a booklet about me

l can sign



I can act it



I can show you my school work



I can show you something I've made

I can show my star chart and tell you all about it

I can make a 'photo story' with my pictures

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