How **not** to communicate with a deaf person!

**1.** Always shout.

**2.** Cover your mouth with your hands.

**3.** Turn your back to them.

**4.** Grow a very full beard or sport a long untidy moustache.

**5.** Stand with your back to the light, making lip-reading difficult.

**6.** Chew gum or talk with your mouth full.

**7.** Gesture wildly, waving your hands in front of your face.

**8.** Exaggerate your lip pattern.

**9.** Speak very, very slowly.

**10.** Speak as you would to a small child.

**How** to communicate with a deaf person.

**1.** Ensure good lighting on your face.

**2.** Speak clearly.

**3.** Speak at your natural pace.

**4.** Make eye contact.

**5.** Keep to the point.

**6.** Use your natural gesture.

**7.** Use writing if you get stuck.

**8.** Remember that communication is a two-way thing.

**9.** Just be you.

**10.** Don’t give up!