

Aphasia

- Is an acquired communication disorder that affects **language**.
- Aphasia does **not** affect **intelligence**.



Speaking



Reading



Understanding



Writing

Aphasia

- Can occur after a stroke or brain injury.
- People with aphasia **know** what they want to say but may have **difficulty** getting the words out.
- To talk to someone who has aphasia, you just need to communicate differently.

Communication Tips

- Ask 1 question at a time.



- Pen and paper helps. Write down key words.



- Hear him or her out! Do not rush them.



- Allow enough time to respond.

- Slow down. Speak clearly.



- Incorporate drawings, pictures, and gestures



- Ask. Wait. Listen!

