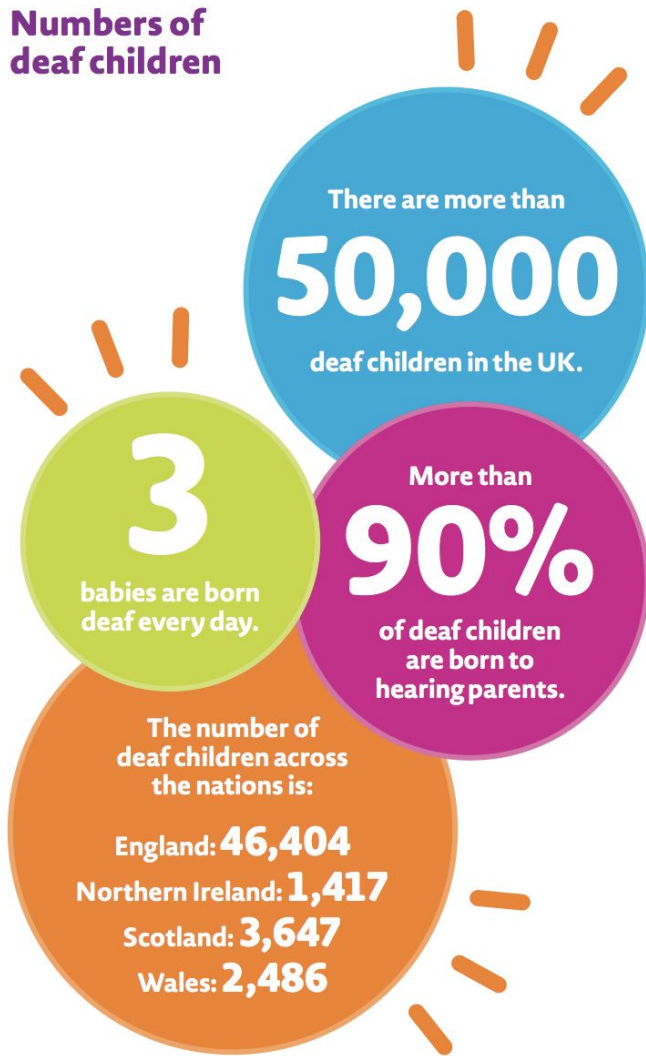


Numbers of deaf children



Levels of deafness

- In the UK, half of deaf children are born deaf. The other half become deaf during childhood.
- Every deaf child is different and may have different levels of deafness:
 - **unilateral (deafness in one ear): 22%**
 - **mild: 26%**
 - **moderate: 31%**
 - **severe: 9%**
 - **profound: 12%.**

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TOP TIPS for Communicating with Deaf / HOH people



Find out how they like to communicate.



Try waving or tapping their shoulder lightly to get their attention.



Speak one at a time and make the topic clear.



**Make sure your face is visible and in the light.
Speak clearly and don't shout.**



Try to reduce background noise.



Try writing your message down or texting on your phone if you're struggling.



Use gestures and facial expressions and don't give up!

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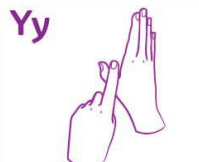
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- Finger spelling: Left handed



The British fingerspelling alphabet – Left hand



HEADSTRONG CHALLENGE

1. Learn how to say your name in BSL

2. OPTIONAL ADVANCED: Learn the alphabet too