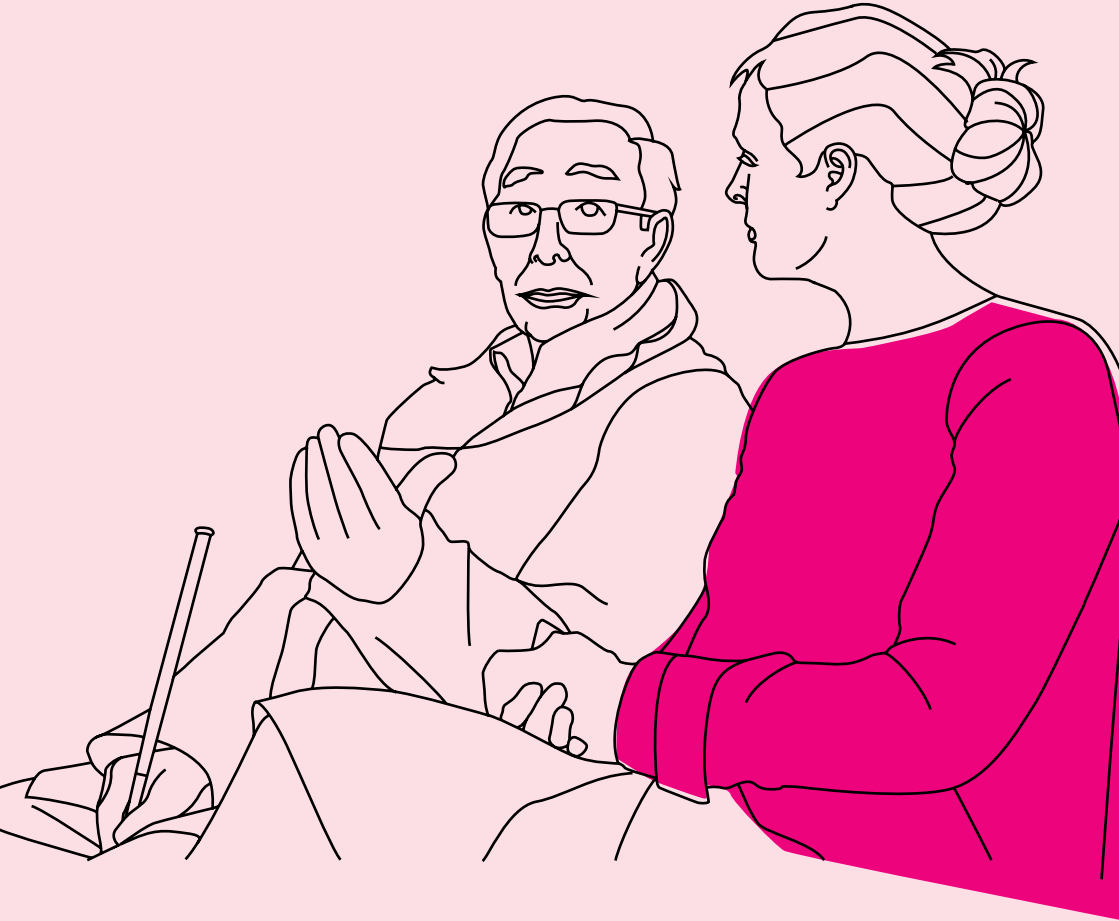


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The advice given here will help you feel confident about talking to a person with sight loss.

- 1 Gain the person's attention by speaking first and/or by a gentle touch on the arm.
- 2 Introduce yourself and what you do.
- 3 Always talk to the person directly, rather than their sighted companion.
- 4 In a group conversation, always make it clear who you are and who you are speaking to.
- 5 Use verbal responses, avoid nods and head shakes
- 6 Verbalise your actions.
- 7 Inform people when you are moving away from them or leaving the room.
- 8 Remember if someone is blind, it doesn't always mean they have no sight at all.
- 9 Ask if guidance or support is required.
- 10 Provide information in an alternative/accessible way
- audio, large print or braille.



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