

8 tips for teachers

1 Don't tell the child "slow down" or "just relax."



2 Don't complete words for the child or talk for him or her.

3 Help all members of the class learn to take turns talking and listening. All children — and especially those who stutter — find it much easier to talk when there are few interruptions and they have the listener's attention.

4 Expect the same quality and quantity of work from the student who stutters as the one who doesn't.

5 Speak with the student in an unhurried way, pausing frequently.

6 Convey that you are listening to the content of the message, not how it is said.

7 Have a one-on-one conversation with the student who stutters about needed accommodations in the classroom. Respect the student's needs, but do not be enabling.

8 Don't make stuttering something to be ashamed of. Talk about stuttering just like any other matter.



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