

The Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists is organising a campaign.

The campaign is called ‘Giving Voice’.

Aim of the Giving Voice campaign

The campaign will:

- explain what speech and language therapists do.
- show how speech and language therapy services can change lives in a cost-effective way.

We are organising the campaign because we want existing speech and language services to continue. We want you to have the help you need with your communication and swallowing difficulties.

You can support the “Giving Voice” campaign



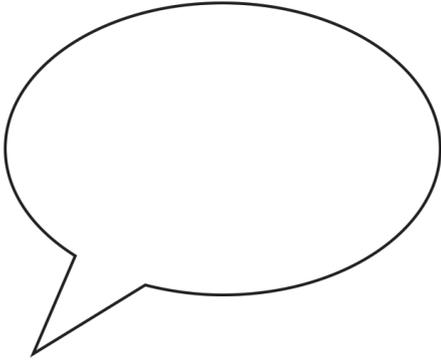
Tell your story

The campaign is called ‘Giving Voice’ because we need people to say how speech therapy has helped them and their families.

This will show people who make the decisions on services that speech and language therapy is vital.

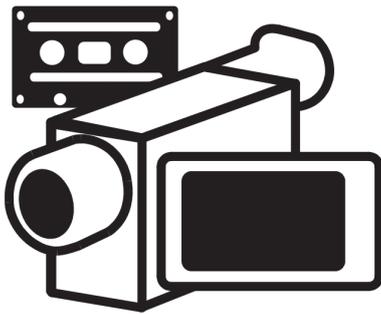
You can tell your story in different ways.

You can do it on your own or work with someone else.



Design a speech bubble

Draw a blank speech bubble. Put a message in it. Use words, pictures or symbols.
Take a photograph of the speech bubble. It will go onto the campaign website.



Make a short video

Say why speech therapy matters to you. Start with 'I'm Giving Voice because.....'
It will go onto the campaign website.



Contact your elected representative

Ask them to support the Giving Voice campaign. Tell them what a difference speech and language therapy has made to your life.

Contact them by email, letter, phone or visit.

Contact details of your elected representative are on www.theyworkforyou.com



**Work with your local speech
and language therapy service
or user organisation**

Your speech and language therapist may ask you to come with them to talk to decision makers.

They will help you to prepare for the meeting.



More information

To find out more about the Giving Voice campaign:

An icon showing two black silhouettes of people. A speech bubble with a question mark is positioned between them, indicating a conversation or a question.	Talk to your speech therapist
An icon of a computer mouse with a cord, representing a website or online resource.	Go to the website www. givingvoiceuk.org
An icon of a telephone handset, representing a phone call.	Telephone Ele Buckley (Campaign Co-ordinator) 0207 378 3003
An icon of a laptop computer, representing email or digital communication.	Email Ele Buckley (Campaign Co-ordinator) ele.buckley@rcslt.org