

Learning Makaton

This information sheet will hopefully answer some of your questions regarding Makaton. In all Makaton workshops you will gain knowledge of Makaton, learn signs and symbols up to an appropriate level and be able to use Makaton at work or at home.



1 What is Makaton?

Makaton uses signs and symbols to teach communication, language and literacy skills to children and adults with communication and learning difficulties.

2 Why use Makaton?

Signs and symbols give extra information which can be seen. Makaton can help if people have difficulties with understanding and speaking. Through Makaton they are able to develop important communication skills.

You may be familiar with Mr. Tumble from CBeebies 'Something Special', he communicates using Makaton.



Visit www.makaton.org for more detailed information on Makaton.

3 What courses are on offer?

Taster Session

- 1hr 30 mins
- General insight into Makaton
- Approx 30 signs and symbols
- Suitable for everyone with a view to progressing onto a beginners or foundation workshop

Cost £10 per person

Foundation Workshop

- 2 days or 4 x 3 hrs
- Detailed introduction to Makaton
- Signing introduction for stages 1-4 and additional signs and symbols
- Suitable for professionals or those who require more in-dept training.

Cost £70.00 Parents/Carers
£85.00 Professionals

Beginners Workshop

- 2 days or 4 x 2hrs 45 mins
- Practical introduction to Makaton
- Signing introduction for stages 1-4 and additional signs and symbols
- Suitable for family members, carers and workers who need to use Makaton at home and in their work.

Cost £60 per person

Signing for Babies

- 6 week course – 1hr per week
- Covering approx 100 signs and symbols relating to everyday baby activities
- Suitable for parents/carers/workers attending with a child who have no previous Makaton experience

Cost £60 per baby

4 What else is available?

Enhancement Workshops, Follow-up workshops, and Bespoke Training available on request.

*Cost may vary due to Tutors expenses (venue hire, travel) **Discounts may be available for families, students and organisations.

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