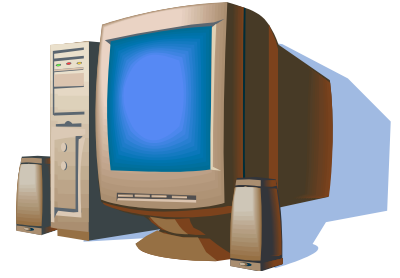


Computer Classes for people with aphasia Information Sheet



What will you learn?

We will ask you what you want to learn, for example:

- How a computer works
- Sending Emails
- Searching the Internet
- Online shopping

How long will the classes run?

Weekly classes – 1 day for 8 weeks starting in February and October 2010

Or

Block classes – 8 days over 2 weeks during summer 2010

What help will I get?

- The classes are run by a Speech and Language Therapist
- Small classes – maximum of 10 people
- You will get 1-1 help during the class
- Class notes on everything that you learn

Where are the classes?

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Who do I contact?

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Speakability has been awarded funding to run small groups of classes for people with aphasia to learn how to use computers.

There are 4 classes planned. During this time people will have the opportunity to learn how to use a computer as well as having time to socialise during the lunch and tea/coffee breaks.

- The first class begins on **Friday 5th February 2010** and will run for **8 weeks** from **11.15 to 3.15**.
- Block class 1 will run over the **summer in 2010** (dates to be confirmed) for **8 days** over a **2 week** period, i.e. 4 days per week for 2 weeks.
- Block class 2 will run over the **summer in 2010** (dates to be confirmed) for **8 days** over a **2 week** period, i.e. 4 days per week for 2 weeks.
- The final class will be run from **October 2010** (dates to be confirmed) and will run for **8 weeks**.

Benefits of classes:

- The classes will be run by a Speech and Language Therapist (SLT) and therefore she will understand difficulties people with aphasia have.
- When people sign up for a class they will meet with the SLT who will find out what their communication and physical needs are.
- As far as possible the training will be tailored to the people's requirements and capabilities.
- Equipment will be used to help people who only have the use of one hand
- Tools such as screen readers and predictive text will help people who have difficulties reading and writing.
- Class size will be small – maximum of 10 people
- One-to-one support by SLT Students
- Handouts for each class so people can practice at home
- Transport will be provided for those unable to use public transport.

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