



Barriers to communication



Physical disabilities

Hearing problems or speech difficulties



Language differences

Difference in language or unfamiliar accents



Jargon

Use of overcomplicated, technical and medical terms



Difficult topics

Some people may find it difficult to talk about certain topics, e.g. religion, politics, disabilities



Lack of attention

If people are not paying attention to the person talking, they may not hear the whole conversation



Cultural differences

Different cultures interact and communicate differently with one another



Difference in views

People will have different views on a topic, but all are valued



Stereotyping

People often hear what they expect to hear, which can lead them to jump to assumptions and stereotyping