



TEN COMMANDMENTS

(for those who interact with the hearing impaired)

1. Thou shall not speak from another room
2. Thou shall not speak with your back toward the person with a hearing problem (or their back toward you)
3. Thou shall not start speaking and walk or turn away from a person with a hearing problem
4. Thou shall not speak in competition with something else (radio, television, water running)
5. Thou shall get the attention of the person with the hearing problem (do not start speaking while they are reading or concentrating on something else)
6. Thou shall use different wording if repetition is needed
7. Thou shall try to speak face to face at all times
8. Thou shall try to remove obstructions while speaking (move your hand away from your face, for example)
9. Thou shall try to speak distinctly and at a s l o w e r pace
10. Thou shall try to be patient

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