

What is Aphasia ?

A communication difficulty caused by brain injury, usually stroke



120,000 Australians have aphasia

People with aphasia may struggle to:

- Talk
- Understand what others say
- Read
- Write
- Use numbers

Aphasia does not affect intelligence

Aphasia Victoria is a group of people with aphasia, family members, speech pathologists and volunteers

- ✓ We help people with aphasia find information and support
- ✓ We inform the community about aphasia
- ✓ We promote aphasia research
- ✓ We liaise with national and international organisations

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Communication Tips

- Speak slowly and in short sentences. One piece of information at a time
- Don't jump from topic to topic
- Maintain eye contact
- Use gestures
- Reduce background noise (turn off radio and TV)
- If able, have paper and pen. Some people read and write better than they can speak
- Check, that they have understood you

Stroke ?

Aphasia ??



Reconnecting with Words

We can support you!