

# Signs of Success Project and Community Outreach

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# Biography

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Bobbie, Lesleigh and Rosemary are part of the Deaf Students Support Program team and together they provide a range of services to students and staff. The Program itself has been running for 25 years, starting from very small beginnings when Emeritus Professor Des Power was in charge of the Deaf Studies and Resources Centre - many of you would know or have heard of him. Lesleigh has been involved since day one! Bobbie and Rosemary have been involved since 2006. In addition to providing services for students and staff, the team has also been involved in a number of outreach activities - with the aim of encouraging awareness and in showing that tertiary studies is within anyone's grasp, and that there is space for all.

# Presentation Outline

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- ❖ Try your ‘hand’ at lip-reading
- ❖ Listen to this .....Simulation of hearing loss
- ❖ Widening participation – what works  
in reaching out to Deaf and Hard of Hearing  
community
  - Sharing
    - DSSP Experiences
    - Your Experiences
- ❖ “Signs of Success” Project and Resource  
– taste and see.

Can you work this out?

“...en ou av iid tur o sh”

The answer is...

“When you have finished,  
turn over your sheet”

Try your “hand” at...

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# LIPREADING activity

Listen to this....

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Video

[http://www.nmit.edu.au/Content/video/centre\\_of\\_excellence/nmit\\_coe\\_5/](http://www.nmit.edu.au/Content/video/centre_of_excellence/nmit_coe_5/)

## Reaching out ... Sharing our experiences

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- Link to Deaf Community e.g. film nights, festivals
- Royal Childrens Hospital CI transition day
- Post School Options Expo
- Parent / Teacher nights – various schools
- Tertiary Education Experience: students, teachers
- Griffith Uni and Quota Science Challenge Camp
- Best Practice Seminar for professionals



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# Group discussion and feedback

# Signs of Success Project – DVD Resource

- Celebrating 21 years of deaf student support
- Package contains 4 DVDs
- Based on student Life Cycle:
  - Pathways, Support, Careers
- Special Event
- Interviews – students and service providers
- Covers a wide range of D/HH
- students, courses and experiences

[View sample footage](#)

