

Supporting Someone with a Dementia

TOP 10 TIPS

- Talk to carers and the people who know the person well. Ask about difficulties and how you can help.
- 2. Make sure the environment is quiet with minimal distractions.
- 3. Speak slowly and use simple words and sentences.
- 4. Give time to process and respond.
- 5. Support verbal communication with gestures and facial expressions.
- 6. Write down key information.
- 7. Recap and repeat information.
- 8. Provide visual supports tools and give important information in written formats.
- 9. Do not ask too many questions; offer choices or yes/no options.
- 10. Consider capacity and support the individual to make decisions.