

# My brother Joe

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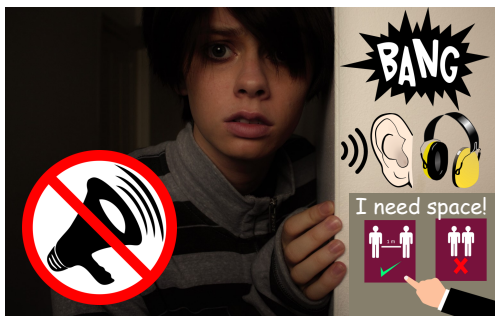
I have a brother. His name is Joe. He has autism. This means that Joe sees the world in a different way and often thinks differently to me.

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This can make him do unusual things. He likes to watch the same TV programme every day, go to the same places and always plays with the same toys.

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Joe gets frightened by loud noises and people standing too close to him.

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When we are out in shops and restaurants he might scream and cry, because he is not sure what is happening and this makes me feel frightened and sometimes embarrassed.

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I can talk to my mum and dad or my teacher if I feel this way.

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Joe might not talk to me when I'm playing beside him. That can make me feel sad but I know that is how he likes to play and that's OK.

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I can be quiet too. I could sit beside him to play with my Lego or to draw and I could read his favourite books to him.

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Joe is my brother. There are things he is good at and things he finds difficult, just like me!