



Adapted for American Sign Language
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- Section 1: **Begin-the-day Phrases** Including: page 3
- Good morning.
 - It's so nice to see you.
 - Shut the door.
 - Please be seated.
 - Attention/eyes on me.
 - Time for announcements.
 - Let's say the pledge now.
 - Who has lunch money?
 - Who is absent?
 - Let's learn something new.
- Section 2: **Giving Directions Phrases** Including: page 7
- Write your name on your paper.
 - Yes, you may go to the bathroom.
 - Draw a picture.
 - Color a picture.
 - Read the story.
 - Read the book.
 - Make a note.
 - Try that by yourself.
 - Study for a test.
 - This is homework.
 - Bring your home work to me now.
 - Time to take the test.
 - I want nothing on your desks now.
 - Finish your tests.
 - I will take your tests now.
 - Line up at the door.
 - Turn the lights off.
- Section 3: **Behavior Signs** Including: page 13
- Good behavior (behaviour). Thank you.
 - Good attitude and follow-through.
 - That is a good choice.
 - That is a poor choice.
 - Think about your action before you do it.
 - That behavior is not okay.
 - You must share.
 - Treat your friends with respect.
 - Here's the rule.
 - Think about the rule before you act.
 - Look at your own paper.
 - Please sit down.
 - Don't run!
 - No cheating!
 - Referral/warning for you.
 - Go to the office.

Section 4: **Motivational How-can-I-help-you? Signs** Including: page 18

Tell me your answer.
Do you understand?
Show me what you don't understand.
Have you read the directions?
Show me what you wrote.
I see a mistake. Can you find it too?
How can we change the answer to make it correct?
Can I help you with that?
How did you find that answer? Show me.
Show me the answer in the book.
Look at the titles in the book.
Look at the vocabulary in the book.
Show me the words you understand.
What words can I explain to you?
Remember this.
Explain your answer again, please.

Section 5: **End of the Day/Class Signs** Including: page 24

Time to clean up the room.
Get your backpacks.
Get your lunch bags.
Get your coat.
Who remembers the home work assignment?
Tell me the home work assignment.
Good! Now don't forget to do the home work.
I have a note for your parent(s).
Give the note to mom or dad.
Time to go home. Good-bye.
See you tomorrow.

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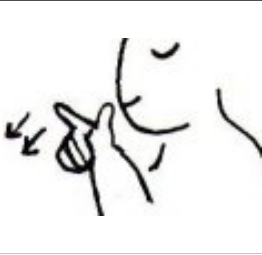
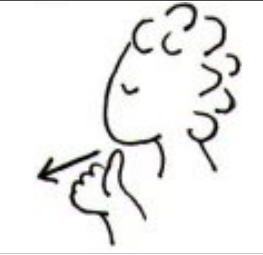
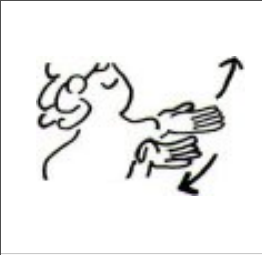
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Who is absent?		
		
Who	not	here?

Let's learn something new.		
		
Learn	new	thing

<i>Signs</i>	<i>Word Descriptions of Actions</i>
announcement	Move "d" hands from the corners of the mouth outward and to the sides of the body. The sign is to indicate that a message has come from the mouth and spanned the hearing range of a broad audience.
close	Bring both "B" hands (palms forward, finger closed, and fingertips pointing upward) together.
do	Hold "c" hands, palms down, in front at chest level. Move hands simultaneously first to the left and then to the right as if to suggest that you are busy with one thing and then another.
door	Touch "B" hands together and then twist the right hand back as if a door is swinging open.
good	Make the "thank you" sign, but let the back of the right hand fall to rest in the palm of the extended left hand. (The only difference between "thank you" and "good" is that the sign for "good" ends in the palm of the left hand, while the "thank you" sign finishes in mid-air.)
here	Hold both hands, palms facing upward, in front of the chest. Make forward semi-circles in opposition, starting at the center and moving outward.
learn	Gently touch the fingers of the right "and" hand to the left upturned palm. Move the right hand to the forehead, as if transferring information from the hand to the brain.
look	Use a right "v" hand to indicate a line of vision from the eyes outward.
lunch	*Signed English = Place the thumb of the right "L" hand near the chin.
me	Point to self, mid chest.

Section 2: Giving Directions Phrases

Words and Phrases

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 Yes, you may go to the bathroom.
 Draw a picture.
 Color (colour) a picture.
 Read the story.
 Read the book.

Make a note.
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 Study for a test.
 This is homework.
 Bring your home work to me now.
 Time to take the test.

I want nothing on your desks now.
 Finish your tests.
 I will take your tests now.
 Line up at the door.
 Turn the lights off.

How to Sign:

Write name your on paper.
 Yes, rest room you now.
 Draw picture you.
 Color picture you.
 Read story you.
 Read book you.

Write that you.
 Try that yourself.
 Study for test you.
 Homework this.
 Bring home work me now.
 Time test now.

Nothing on desks now.
 Finish test.
 Take (harvest) test now me.
 Line up door.
 Lights nothing.

Write your name on your paper.

Write	name	your	on	paper.

Yes, you may go to the bathroom.

Yes	rest room	you	now.

Draw a picture.

Draw	picture	you.