

QUICK GUIDE:

▶ Classmates and Peers



Having a classmate or peer with Down syndrome might be new to you. It is okay to ask questions and be curious about Down syndrome. But remember that the student with Down syndrome is just like you. They want to go to school, learn new things, be part of the school community, and be respected by others.

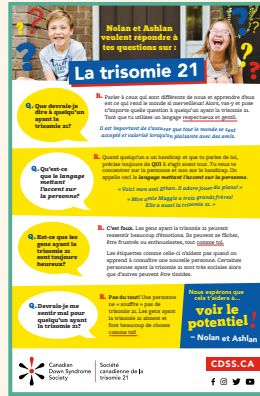
Be part of welcoming a student with Down syndrome to the school community. From playing at recess to helping them with a question in math class or inviting them to be part of a group project in social studies class, all of these simple gestures can help them feel included and welcomed.

Here are some things to keep in mind:

- Down syndrome can affect how a student looks and how they learn, but they are a student, just like you.
- Students can have a lot in common. We all have similar interests, likes, and dislikes. By learning about one another, we get to find out how similar we actually are.
- Students with Down syndrome have a range of abilities, strengths, and challenges. They learn and develop new skills, but they may learn at a different pace.
- Be open to learning about, accepting and celebrating each person's differences.
- The most important thing to remember is to always being respectful.

Here are some informative posters, videos, and presentations to help you learn about Down syndrome:

CDSS POSTER: Let's Talk About Down Syndrome



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VIDEO: My Friend Isabelle



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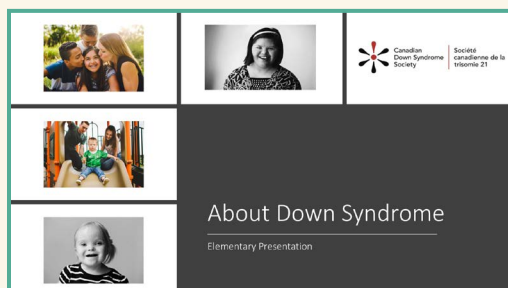
VIDEO: Just Like You



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CDSS PRESENTATION: 'About Down Syndrome'

Learn about Down syndrome and how we are more alike than we are different!



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