## What happens in a court Communication Assessment

Who?	<ul> <li>I am a Speech Language Therapist. My work is about communication</li> <li>Talking, listening and understanding what others are saying</li> </ul>
Who asked me to see you?	• The <b>judge</b> asked me to see you
	<ul> <li>I do not work for the police or for your lawyer</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>I am neutral and impartial. This means I am not on anyone's side</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>My job is to help everyone involved with court communicate with you</li> </ul>
	• This is to <b>make sure you understand</b> what is being said
	<ul> <li>It is to make sure you can join in when you need to say things</li> </ul>
Why am I seeing you?	<ul> <li>See how you are getting on with communication (talking and listening)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>See what might help you with communication in court</li> </ul>
What will happen when I see you?	We will do some different <b>talking</b> and <b>listening</b> tasks.



How long will it take?	<ul> <li>It will take about one hour</li> <li>You can have breaks if you need to</li> </ul>
	We will <b>not talk</b> about anything to do with <b>why</b> you need to go to <b>court</b> .
Support person	You can bring a <b>support person</b> with you.
Report	<ul> <li>I will write a report for the judge</li> <li>The report will be about your communication</li> <li>It will say what kinds of things will help you when you are talking or listening in court</li> </ul>
Confidential	<ul> <li>The report I write is private</li> <li>It will only go to the people at court who need to know this information</li> <li>I will not give the report to anyone else</li> <li>I will not talk to anybody else about what you tell me</li> </ul>
Questions?	• You can ask me any <b>questions</b> when you see me

