



Gabe Teaches His Classmates to Speak

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*I watch Mrs. Sullivan teach the lesson,
but the rest of the kids watch Ms. Dellatte.*



*Mrs. Sullivan translates Ms. Dellatte's words into American Sign Language (ASL).
I can read lips, but this makes it easier to follow.*



Things only become a problem when it's time for group work. The other students don't know how to communicate with me, so I work with Ms. Sullivan.



She sits with me at lunch too.



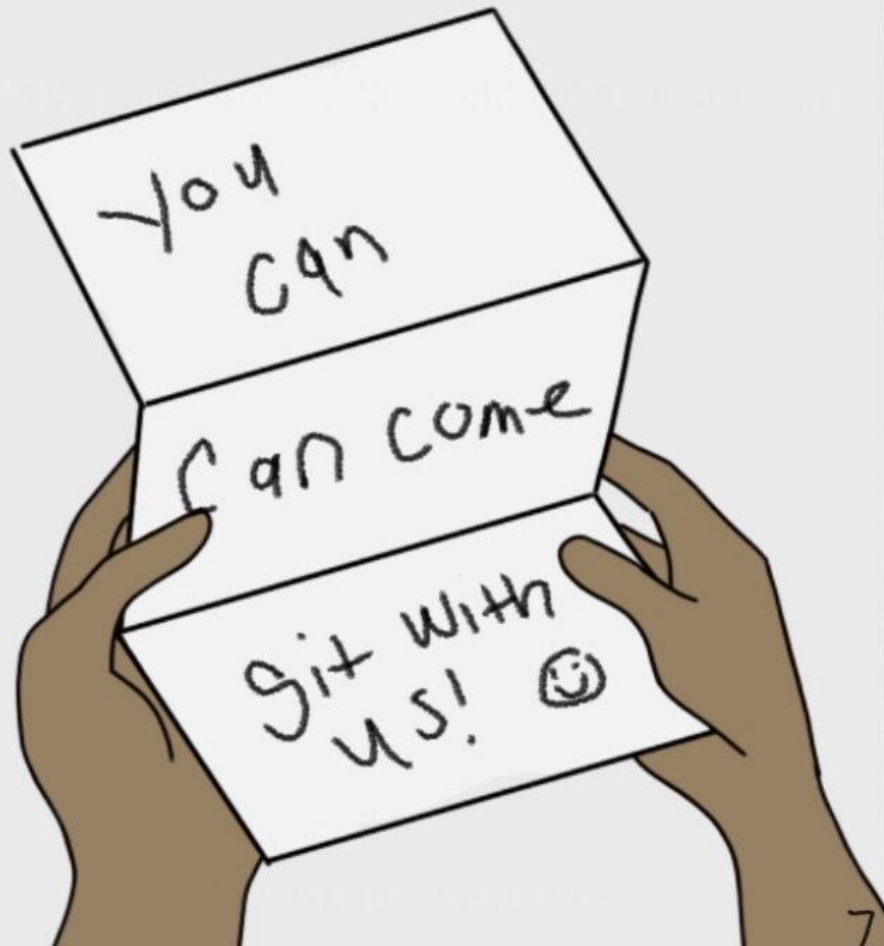
*But today she's out sick,
so I'm sitting alone.*



Until a girl from my class sits down next to me



She passes me a note.



you
can

can come

sit with
us! 😊

*I carry my lunch over to
the table and sit down.*



*"Tori, Gabe can't even talk or listen;
he's just going to sit here, silent."*



I decide to write him a note.

