

Eddie the Elephant Has Something to Say

Discussion Questions

How would you feel if you weren't able to communicate by speaking?

Besides speaking, what are some other ways that you communicate in your day to day life (e.g., gestures, texting, email...)?

If you were not able to talk, what are some creative ways that you could share your ideas?

If you could design your own communication device, what words would you want to include?

As you read through the story, look at the thought bubbles and read the italicized text that shares Eddie's thoughts and ideas. Sometimes Eddie and his friends are thinking about different things, and this leads to misunderstandings. Think of a time when you and a friend had different ideas or were thinking about different things. How did that make you feel? What did you do to solve the problem?

What are some clues that help you make a guess about what someone else is thinking about?

What can we do to be more inclusive of people who communicate in different ways?

