

Talking About Down's Syndrome?



Imagine Sophie, who has Down's Syndrome, is in the room with you, what would you say?

No thank you

Yes please

risk

chance/probability

abnormality/disease/
problem/disorder

difference/variation/
condition

good/bad
difficult news

expected/unexpected
or different news

normal

typical/typically
developing

suffer

have

a Down's
a Down's baby

a baby with
Down's Syndrome

mental handicap
retarded

with a learning
disability

severely affected

more complex

REMEMBER

Use high/low chance for **screening** results e.g. NIPT/combined test
Use positive or negative for **diagnostic** results e.g. Amnio/CVS

