TRANSCRIPT: Newly qualified teacher

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I trained in mainstream and came straight into SEN, being a newly qualified teacher.

I love working in a special school. I think the opportunities for the children are just fantastic. Everything is adapted. Everything is at a much slower pace and it's personalised to the child.

I first came in and it did take me a good period to get used to the children, get to know them, 'cause you do really need to know your children in order to personalise their learning.

I get brilliant professional development. I have learnt so much from working in this school. I've learnt who to go to, where to get help, when to get help when you need it. I've learnt how important it is to talk to parents and keep that relationships with them. I've just learnt so many skills in how to support a child with SEN, throughout this year. The school couldn't have done any more to help me and I really recommend it.

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