00:00:17 Do you want to sit down? Just look straight ahead. That's really good. Great. I like that. I am an autistic person. It is obvious when you see me. I have no voice, but yearn to say so much. If you are willing to listen, I will try to say how I feel. (STATIC CRACKLING) I live in a total blur of information. If I have too many people in a room at one time and one place, it is too overwhelming for me to have to process. I have to jiggle my brain to make it settle. It's just how I cope. Water takes my pain away

00:01:08 because it allows me to lose myself in a place that asks no questions of my abilities. Every drop lets me be me. Before I could communicate through typing, I remember that I was frustrated by people who were kind, but didn't know my brain was as good as people who can speak. I remember being told that I liked the Teletubbies, which I did, but I wanted to move on and was desperate to read books for my age. Now I have the chance to speak up for people like me. I'm speaking from my heart. Non-verbal people are pleasing to be around

00:01:52 because we sense the world in a deeper way than those who talk. Because we cannot express our emotions instantly, we become deep thinkers. People-watchers. We have the same dreams as everyone else, so please don't treat us differently. Each of us is a star... eager to be discovered and named in the atmosphere. If you acknowledge our abilities, we can shine brighter. We have so much to say. Please hear us. (APPLAUSE) I think we're all better people for knowing Murray. He's made such a big difference to all our lives.

00:02:47 We can actually understand how deeply he thinks about things. We've been very privileged to be part of his life. His whole experience is expressed there in just a few minutes. It's... It's wonderful. Wonderful. That just sums up everything about Murray, and it's just lovely to be telling us how his world is. MURRAY: I am happy that the world can see the real me.