

## Unique Aspects of Stuttering

1. Stutterers can usually sing without stuttering.
2. Stutterers find greatly reduced stuttering while talking aloud to themselves when they are alone.
3. Most stutterers can speak in unison without stuttering.
4. Most stutterers can talk to animals or nonliving things without stuttering or with greatly reduced stuttering.
5. Stuttering runs in cycles. It varies in severity from hour to hour, day to day, and month to month.
6. Approximately 75 to 80% of all stutterers are male.
7. Drugs have an interesting, unpredictable effect on stutterers.
8. Stuttering is highly inconsistent. The stutterer is never certain if he will stutter on a specific word or in a specific situation.
9. Stuttering almost always begins in childhood after the child has begun to talk. It very seldom begins in adulthood, and if it does, it tends to be less severe.
10. The adaptation effect reduces stuttering only temporarily.
11. Stuttering is greatly reduced under very loud noise.
12. Many stutterers stutter very little or not at all when role playing.
13. Many stutterers have the most difficulty beginning an utterance.
14. Most adult stutterers can tell ahead of time if they are going to stutter on a specific word.