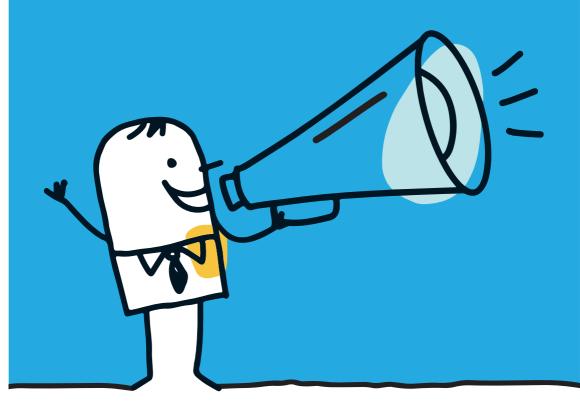


EXPERT HEARING TESTS FOR CHILDREN



OUR EARS HEAR LOTS OF DIFFERENT SOUNDS...

some sounds are **BIG**!



Our ears are important and they help us to...

Learn how to **speak** so that we can talk with our friends

OR

so that we can **listen** to a funny joke

OR

hear our favourite song.



....SOMETIMES OUR EARS STOP WORKING PROPERLY

When this happens we can visit an ear expert. The ear expert is called an audiologist and you can visit them for a hearing test.

TOBY'S TRIP TO THE AUDIOLOGIST

Toby's ears are not working properly, so the audiologist plays games with him to find out what sounds he can or cannot hear.

The audiologist puts **headphones** on Toby, which **make funny noises** in his ears. Toby has to put a brick in a box every time he hears the funny noise. NEXT...

The audiologist shows Toby some toys on a table. She asks him to find some of the toys, but she says the words very quietly.

Toby has to listen very hard.



HANNAH HAS A HEARING TEST

Hannah visits the audiologist because she <mark>cannot hear</mark> very well.

The audiologist puts a hairband on Hannah's head, which has a **little box** on it that makes a very quiet noise. Hannah can hear the sound from the box even though it **isn't in her ear**.



NEXT...

The audiologist looks in Hannah's ears with a **special torch** and puts a soft stopper into her ear that makes a **funny sound**. This tickles a little, which **makes Hannah smile!**

The stopper measures the pressure inside Hannah's ear and draws a picture on the computer. Sometimes the picture is shaped like a mountain, other times the picture is flat like a pancake.

FIND OUT WHAT HAPPENED NEXT...

THE **RESULTS**

After Toby and Hannah finished their hearing tests, the audiologists talked to them about what can be done to help them hear better.

Can you think of a question you would like ask your Chime hearing experts?



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