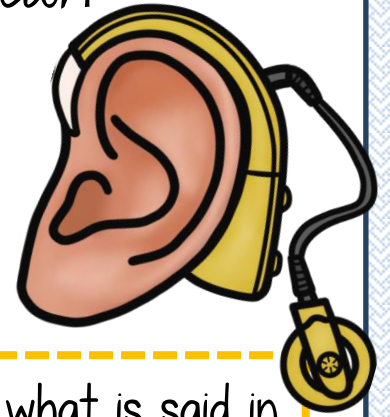


TIPS & TRICKS

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Edition

Tip of the Week:

MILD HEARING LOSS IS NOT MILD



A child with mild hearing loss can miss up to 50% of what is said in a classroom. Even "just a mild hearing loss" can affect intelligibility of speech sounds. Students with mild hearing loss often miss sounds that demote tense, plurality, possessives, etc. Since children are still learning language, they cannot fill in those missing pieces of speech as well as adults can. Hearing aids can help make speech louder for these students, but they do not help provide speech clarity.

Check out
this simulation of
taking a spelling test with
a mild hearing loss.

<https://youtu.be/pPoaFQGPTVU>



Trick to Try:

During spelling tests, ensure that the student heard all parts of the words. This can be done by providing the word in a sentence to provide context cues. Make sure the student can see your face to allow lipreading sounds they can see but not hear.

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