



Hearing Activities And Resources

KCS Hearing At Home Activities and Resources




Hearing Reminders for Home:

- Have speakers turn and look at the child when speaking so that he/she will see mouth movements and facial expressions to aid in comprehension of what is being said
- If your students has hearing aids, have your child wear them during the day. This will increase the quality of communication for your child
- Minimize background noise by turning off the television or music when you are doing activities together
- Be in close proximity when you are speaking to your child to help with focusing attention on the communication
- Encourage your child to advocate if they do not hear or understand by asking for the message to be repeated or clarified
- Remember that closed captioning is available on most/all TV services. When your student is watching tv, practice using this free resource by activating it on your tv



Hearing Activities for Home:

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- With hearing aids in, give the student a direction to follow (jump up and down, raise your hand, color the flower purple, etc.) while you are varying distances away. You can increase to 2-3 step directions.
 - Read short sentences from a story or material of interest and have the student repeat what you said. Listen to see if the sentence is repeated correctly without using visual cues.
 - Setting up experiences for students to pretend can help with listening and language when the actual experience occurs. Create a restaurant and practice ordering from the menu, role playing each part (e.g., server, customer, chef). With older students, practice ordering pizza. You'll give students the opportunity to practice vocabulary, syntax and pragmatic language while listening in a quieter setting
 - Use a board game to help learn new vocabulary. Before taking a turn, give the student a vocabulary word and let them explain it in their own words. Let them use the word in a sentence. Talk about other meanings of the word
 - Make a snack or cook a food together letting your child follow auditory or signed directions. Let the child retell the steps to make the dish and then describe the dish using words that tell about what the food looks like, tastes like, etc.

Hearing Activities for Home:

- For manual communicators, show your child a picture or object and ask them to sign the letter that the picture or object begins with. Work on finger-spelling the whole word together. Then practice the ASL sign for the word
- For manual communicators, help stories you read together to come alive as you “animate” the descriptions and “label” the pictures with sign language. Try to choose books that include vocabulary words you and your kids are currently learning and use lots of dramatic expressions when reading the stories together
- For manual communicators, create a scavenger hunt around the house making a list of things for your child to find. You can write them down or draw pictures of them on a sheet of paper (depending on their reading levels), send them off hunting and then ask them to sign the words or teach them the signs
- For older students, have them find visuals or images that will help to clarify meaning for new or unfamiliar vocabulary. Use the link for Visuwords in the resources to explore parts of speech and related words.
- Read passages of varying lengths and ask the student to summarize what the passage is saying in their own words. Increase length of passages as the student is able to listen, hold and summarize the information.




Online Hearing Resources:

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| https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL3CC0DF43F5C8814F | ASL Storytelling Playlist |
| https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLM43Rq802SyvLUWzcNpqD3tbPGw8He-J0 | ASL Storytelling Playlist |
| https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL60GgJ-A96iyxLsSkydb0BVcMRtbPiKBe | Upper Elementary/Middle/High Literature Playlist |
| https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL60GgJ-A96iyu0r4Q415f4bwF9aTyX0sl | Fables Playlist |
| https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL60GgJ-A96izTJWqs0QOZbW57owqNn4TA | Signed sight words |
| https://youtu.be/g2HDXtN7fcl | Signed Hop on Pop |
| https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL60GgJ-A96ixNpuE4AKWiEy13xFbVwZ0U | ASL Storytime Playlist |



Online Hearing Resources:



| Link: | Description: |
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| www.visuwords.com | A visual dictionary and thesaurus showing word parts of speech and connections |
| https://thelisteningroom.com | Register for a free account to access activities to support listening and language skills |
| https://www.medel.com/ca/resources-for-success-soundscape/#prettyPhoto | Interactive listening skill activities |
| https://mdelio.org/sites/default/files/documents/BVI/ECC/ILS/Checklists/ILS_Checklist_2018.pdf | Daily living skills checklist |
| https://www.lifeprint.com/ | Activities for ASL for students and families |
| https://aslstem.cs.washington.edu/ | Signed videos on STEM topics for high school students |
| https://docs.google.com/document/d/1rgAG1vqyU1RAIOZOXsVdyPk0Y4gPN51jOFTqLKN00hw/mobilebas ic | Signed ebook resources |