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## **Questions on Hearing Acuity**

1. Do you find it difficult to follow a conversation in a noisy restaurant or crowded room?	9. Does a hearing problem cause you to feel embarrassed when meeting new people?
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Sometimes	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Sometimes
2. Do you sometimes feel that people are mumbling or not speaking clearly?  Yes No Sometimes	<ul><li>10. Do you feel handicapped by a hearing problem?</li><li>☐ Yes</li><li>☐ No</li><li>☐ Sometimes</li></ul>
<ul> <li>3. Do you experience difficulty following dialog in the theater?</li> <li>□ Yes □ No □ Sometimes</li> <li>4. Do you sometimes find it difficult to</li> </ul>	11. Does a hearing problem cause you to visit friends, relatives or neighbors less often that you would like?  □ Yes □ No □ Sometimes
understand a speaker at a public meeting or a religious service?	12. Do you experience ringing or noises in your ears?
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Sometimes	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Sometimes
<ul><li>5. Do you find yourself asking people to speak up or repeat themselves?</li><li>☐ Yes</li><li>☐ No</li><li>☐ Sometimes</li></ul>	13. Do you hear better with one ear then the other?  ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Sometimes
6. Do you find men's voices easier to understand than women's?  ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Sometimes	14. Have you had any significant noise exposure during work, recreation of military service?  ☐ Yes ☐ No
7. Do you experience difficulty understanding soft or whispered speech?  ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Sometimes	15. Have any of your relatives (by birth) ha d a hearing loss?  ☐ Yes ☐ No
8. Do you sometimes have difficulty understanding speech on the telephone?  Sometimes	
Scoring:	

2 points for **Yes** 

1 points for Sometimes

0 points for No

Scores of 3 or more: <u>may</u> mean that you have a hearing problem.

Scores of 6 or more: strongly suggest that a hearing check is warranted.

If you think you or your child may have a hearing loss visit www.audiology.org and click on the "Find an Audiologist" link to locate and set an appointment with an audiologist in your area to get your hearing checked.