

For Applicants without Hearing Aids - Five-Minute Hearing Test

(Skip this part if you are wearing your hearing aids)

Answer Key:

3 = Almost always 2= Half the time 1 = Occasionally 0 = Never

1. I have a problem hearing over the telephone _____
2. I have trouble following the conversation when two or more people are talking at the same time _____
3. People complain that I turn the TV volume too high _____
4. I have to strain to understand conversations _____
5. I miss hearing some common sounds like the phone or the doorbell ringing _____
6. I have trouble hearing conversations in a noisy background such as a party _____
7. I get confused about where sounds come from _____
8. I misunderstand some words in a sentence and need to ask people to repeat themselves _____
9. I especially have trouble understanding the speech of women and children _____
10. I have worked in noisy environments (assembly lines, jackhammers, jet engines, etc.) _____
11. I hear fine – if people just speak clearly _____
12. People get annoyed because I misunderstand what they say _____
13. I misunderstand what others are saying and make inappropriate responses _____
14. I avoid social activities because I cannot hear well and fear I will make improper replies _____
15. A family member or friend has suggested that maybe I have a hearing problem _____

Total_____

Client Initials_____

Note: If you scored 10 or more points, you should have your hearing tested