

Listening Inventory For Education - Revised (L.I.F.E.-R.)

Student Appraisal of Listening Difficulty: Before-LIFE Questions for Students



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Name _____ Grade _____ Date(s) completed _____

Teacher _____ School _____

Hearing Aid CI user Type of Classroom Hearing Technology _____

Trial period No Yes Length _____ Responses consider performance with without FM system in use

Before-LIFE Questions for Students:

Answer these questions PRIOR to administration of the L.I.F.E.-Revised materials.

Check all the answers that apply. If you have an answer that is not provided please add it under "other."

1. Mark the items that best describe your classroom listening location. My location:

- is in the first or second row of the classroom
- is in the middle row of the classroom
- is in the back row of the classroom
- puts my good ear toward the teacher when teaching
- puts my bad ear toward the teacher when teaching
- near a source of noise in the classroom
- is near a source of noise from outside the classroom
- is close to where the teacher stands to talk to the class

Other _____

2. What sounds (noises) do you hear when you are in the classroom? (sounds may happen only some of the time)

- Fan noise inside classroom
- Noise from heating/cooling system inside the classroom
- Noise from a fish tank inside the classroom
- Noise from computers inside the classroom
- Noise from other students inside the classroom
- Sounds from students outside your classroom but inside or outside of the school building
- Sounds from the florescent lights

Other _____

3. When you are sitting in your usual location in the classroom, how well do you hear the teacher when teaching?

- Pretty well, the teacher is easy to hear
- Well, I can hear almost everything
- Not well, I miss some stuff
- Not well at all, I miss a lot of what the teacher says

4. What is the best description of your teacher's location in the classroom when teaching?

- Teaches from the same place almost all the time
- Walks around for a short time maybe once or twice a day
- Teaches from different locations about half of the time
- Teaches from different locations more than half of the time

5. How do you know when you did not hear or understand the teacher completely?

- I have a hard time getting started on my work because I do not understand what the teacher wants me to do.
- I know I should ask the teacher to repeat what was said.
- I look around to see what other students are doing.
- I follow the teacher's instruction incorrectly.
- I watch the teacher's lips to understand what was said
- I answer questions inappropriately or do not answer
- I ask another student what the teacher said
- I do not know when I did not hear or understand the teacher

Other _____

6. How do you feel about listening with _____ in your class(es) (technology device(s))?

- I am excited to hear and understand better in the classroom
- I am nervous
- I feel shy
- Happy
- I don't have any feelings about it

Other _____