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Could this pupil be struggling to hear?

Hearing loss isn't always obvious. 8 in 10 children experience glue ear before the age of 10, and mild or one-sided deafness is easy to miss.

Look out for a pupil who:



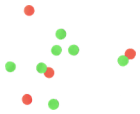
Often asks "What?" or for things to be repeated



Watches classmates before following instructions



Seems distracted, especially in noisy rooms



Answers questions off-topic or inconsistently



Hears well one day and struggles the next



Speaks unusually loudly or quietly

What to do:

- Note what you've seen, when and where.
- Share your observations with the SENCO.
- Let the family know, so they can speak to their GP if needed.



Don't assume it's behaviour. A pupil who isn't responding may simply not have heard.