



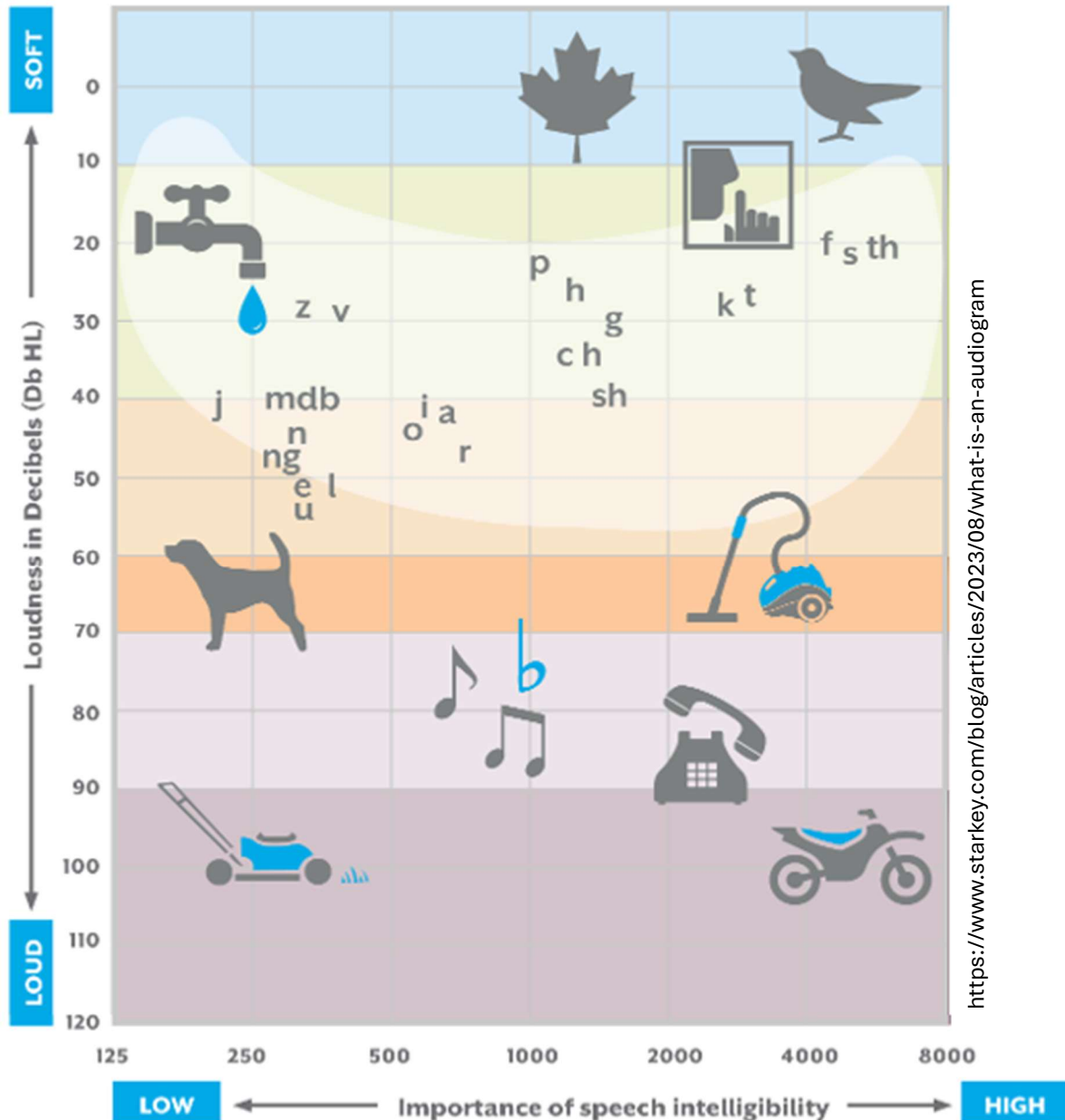
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Understanding your Hearing Screen Results

A hearing screening checks how well your child hears different sounds using an audiometer. It measures both **loudness (decibels, dB)** and **pitch (frequency, Hz)**. Children should be able to hear tones from **1,000 to 8,000 Hz at 25 dB or softer**. We follow the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) recommendations on hearing screening and offer at 4, 5, 6, 8, and 10 years.





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What Is a Normal (Passing) Result?

A typical passing result means your child can hear sounds at:

- **20-25 decibels (dB) or softer**
- **At 1,000 Hz - 8,000 Hz**

	1000 Hz	2000 Hz	4000 Hz	6000 Hz (≥11 yrs)	8000 Hz (≥11 yrs)
R	@ 20 dB	@ 20 dB	@ 20 dB	@ 20 dB	@ 20 dB
L	@ 20 dB	@ 20 dB	@ 20 dB	@ 20 dB	@ 20 dB

Our results are noted on this chart:

What Does It Mean If My Child Does NOT Pass?

A “did not pass” result **does NOT necessarily mean there is permanent hearing loss.**

Common reasons include:

- Temporary fluid in the ears (VERY common with colds or allergies)
- Earwax blocking the ear canal
- Recent illness or congestion
- Trouble understanding instructions or staying focused during the test

What Happens Next?

If your child does not pass:

- We may **repeat the screening** in the office
- Or recommend a **formal hearing test with audiology**

Further testing helps determine if there is a true hearing concern. See “Hearing Referral Information”

When Should I Be Concerned About Hearing?

Let us know if your child:

- Frequently says “what?” or asks for repetition
- Turns up volume louder than others
- Has unclear speech or speech delays
- Struggles in school or following directions
- Has a history of frequent ear infections
- Any family history of hearing impairments