



Parents' Evaluation of Aural/Oral Performance of Children and Ease of Listening Form: PEACH+

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What is the PEACH+?

- The PEACH (**P**arents' **E**valuation of **A**ural/oral performance of **C**hildren) is a scale designed to systematically record your observations of how your child is hearing and communicating with others in real-world environments. We ask you to observe your child's listening behaviour in a range of everyday-life situations, and rate how often your child exhibits a described behaviour. The PEACH+ (or PEACH Plus) asks you to additionally indicate how easy or hard you think it is for your child to demonstrate the described behaviour in different situations.

The PEACH+, like the PEACH, is not a test. Children's listening skills improve as they grow and as they get more listening and speaking practice. Remember even people with normal hearing sometimes experience difficulties in certain situations.

Why use the PEACH+?

- The PEACH+, like the PEACH, is used to evaluate the effectiveness of your child's use of hearing in real-world environments. Additionally, it provides an estimate on your child's ease of listening in different situations. Your ratings will be used to build a picture of your child's functional performance and listening efforts in real life. The ratings can be used to evaluate the effectiveness of hearing devices or strategies provided to your child by his/her audiologists and therapists, so that rehabilitation can be tailored to the needs of your child. When scores are collected at several intervals over time, they help to monitor your child's progress with intervention.

How do I do it?

- Think about your child's behaviour in real-life situations over the past week.
- For each item, give a rating on how often your child displays the described behaviour.
- For each item, give a rating on how easy or hard you think it is for your child to display the described behaviour.

Results will be used to monitor your child's progress, and to guide intervention.

Pre-Rating Checklist:

If the PEACH+ is used to assess performance when using hearing devices (hearing aids, cochlear implants, other devices), it should only be completed when the answers to the 3 items below are YES.	Yes	No
Has the child been well/healthy?		
Has the child been wearing his/her hearing device?		
Have the hearing device been working properly?		

Child's Name:		Your Name:	
D.O.B:		Date:	

Please reflect on your child's listening behaviour over the past week, and circle the number for

a) How often your child demonstrates that behaviour; and

b) How easy or hard you think it is for them to demonstrate that behaviour.

	Question	How often does your child do this?					How easy or hard do you think this is for your child?				
		Never 0%	Seldom 1 - 25%	Sometimes 26 - 50%	Often 51 - 75%	Always 75-100%	Very Hard	Hard	Neutral	Easy	Very Easy
1.	How often does your child wear his/her hearing device?										
2.	Has your child complained or been upset by loud sounds?										
3.	When you call, does your child respond to his/her name in a quiet situation?										
4.	When asked, does your child follow simple instructions or do a simple task in a quiet situation?										
5.	When you call does your child respond to his/her name in a noisy situation when he/she can't see your face? (examples of responses include looks up, turns, answers verbally)										
6.	When asked, does your child follow simple instructions or do a simple task in a noisy situation?										
7.	When you are in a quiet place reading with your child, does he/she pay close attention to what you are saying? OR if your child is listening to stories/songs on the TV or CD when there is no other background noise can he/she follow what is being said?										
8.	Does your child initiate/ participate in conversation in a quiet situation?										
9.	Does your child initiate/ participate in conversation in a noisy situation?										
10.	Does your child understand what you say in the car/bus/train?										
11.	Does your child recognise peoples' voices without seeing who was talking?										
12.	Does your child successfully use a phone?										
13.	Does your child respond to sounds other than voices?										

Please provide comments regarding any of the above items:

Scoring: To be completed by professional

PEACH Auditory Functioning Scale:

		RAW Score		% Score
QUIET	(Q's 3+4+7+8+11+12) A		(A/24) x 100	
NOISE	(Q's 5+6+9+10+13) B		(B/20) x 100	
OVERALL	(A + B) C		(C/44) x 100	

PEACH-Ease of Listening Scale:

		RAW Score		% Score
QUIET	(Q's 3+4+7+8+11+12) A		(A/24) x 100	
NOISE	(Q's 5+6+9+10+13) B		(B/20) x 100	
OVERALL	(A + B) C		(C/44) x 100	