

Quiz of the month...

True or False? (answers on the next page – good luck!!)

- _____ 1. 50% to 60% of hearing loss in babies is due to genetic causes.
- _____ 2. 25% or more of hearing loss in babies is due to "environmental" causes such as maternal infections during pregnancy and complications after birth.
- _____ 3. Hearing screening is easy and not painful. In fact, babies are often asleep while being screened.
- _____ 4. All babies should be screened for hearing loss no later than 6 months of age.
- _____ 5. Babies should be screened shortly after leaving the hospital.
- _____ 6. If the baby does not pass the screening, it is important to get a full test as soon as possible, but, no later than 3 months of age.
- _____ 7. At risk children need to be tested when entering school.
- _____ 8. The signs and symptoms of hearing loss are different for each child.
- _____ 9. It is ok to wait to see if the child shows definitive signs of hearing loss.
- _____ 10. If in doubt, ask the doctor for a hearing screening as soon as possible.

Answers:

1. True
2. True
3. True
4. False Babies should be screened by the age of one month.
5. False Babies should be screened before leaving the hospital
6. True
7. At risk children should be tested by the age of 2-2 ½ .
8. True
9. False. If in doubt have the baby tested as soon as possible. Do not wait.
10. True