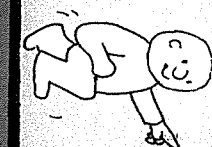
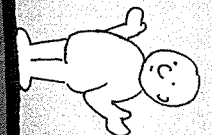
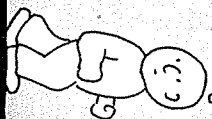
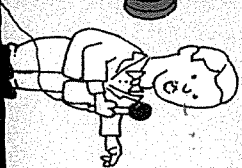
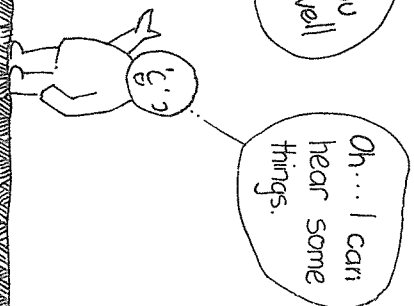


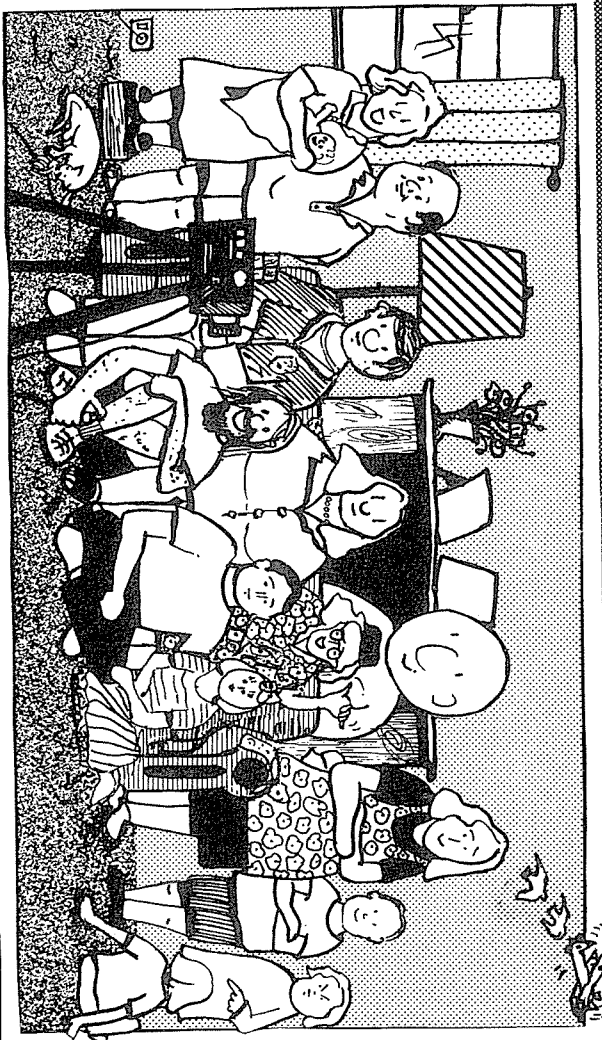
Excuse me...
could you tell
me about ?
deafness.



TURN
PAGE
HERE

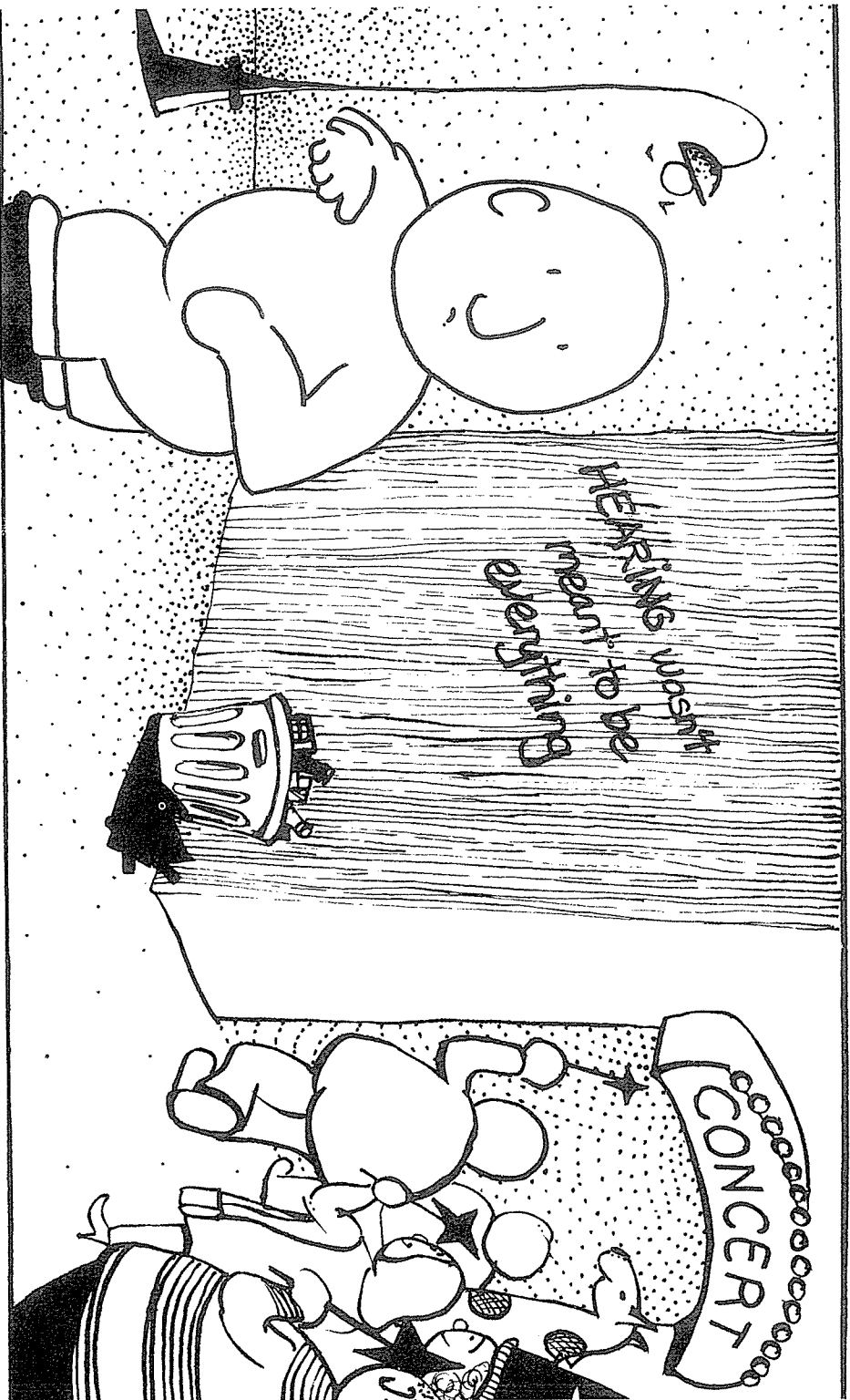
One of the first things
to know about deafness
is that it is difficult to know
if someone has a hearing problem...



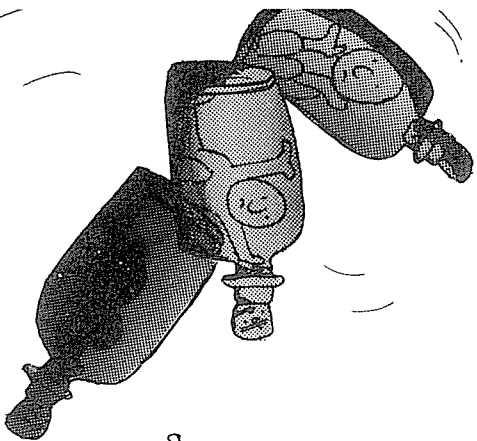


This is my family.
You can not tell
by looking if any
of us has a
hearing problem..

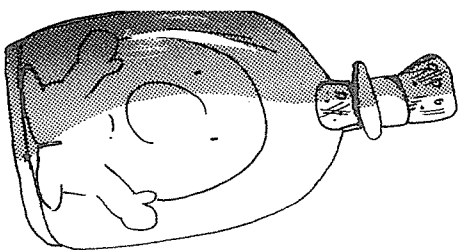




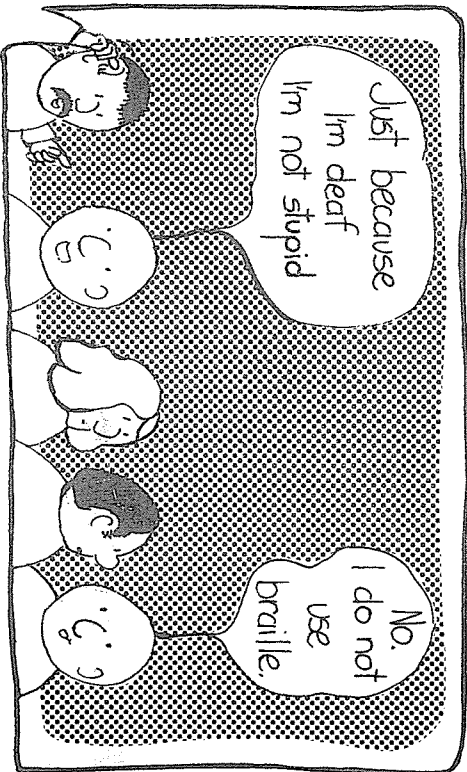
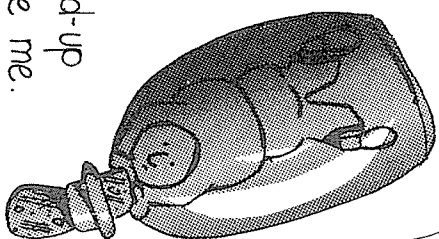
... | am often left out.



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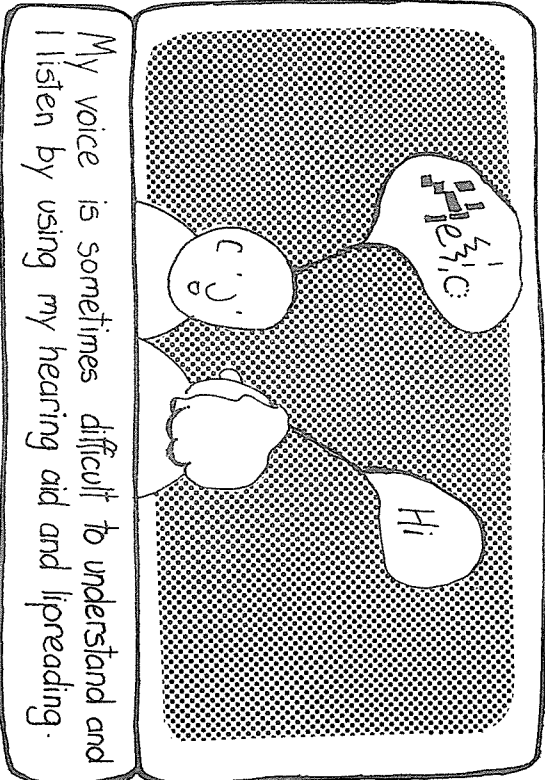


My
ideas
are
often
bottled-up
inside me.



Just because
I'm deaf
I'm not stupid

No.
I do not
use
braille.



Hi

Hi

My voice is sometimes difficult to understand and I listen by using my hearing aid and lipreading.

Please, don't make it hard to lipread.

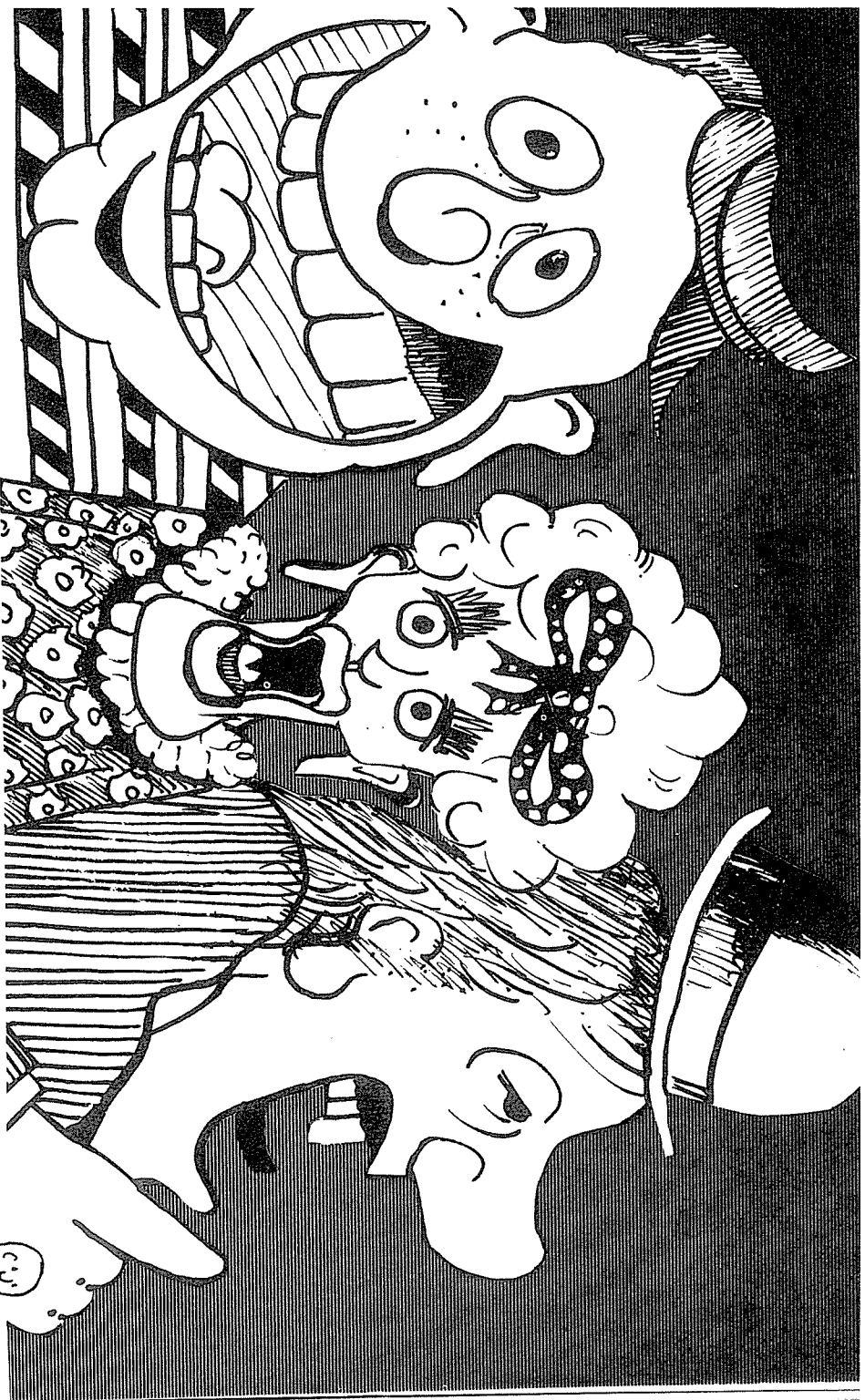


mumber

muffler

mouth full

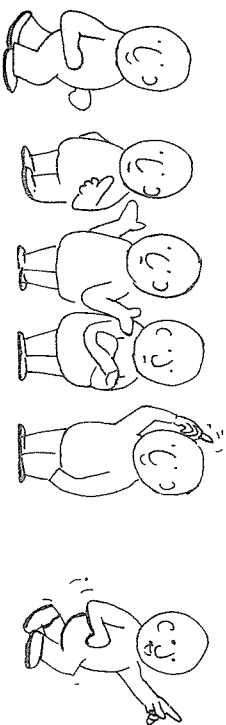
big 'mo'



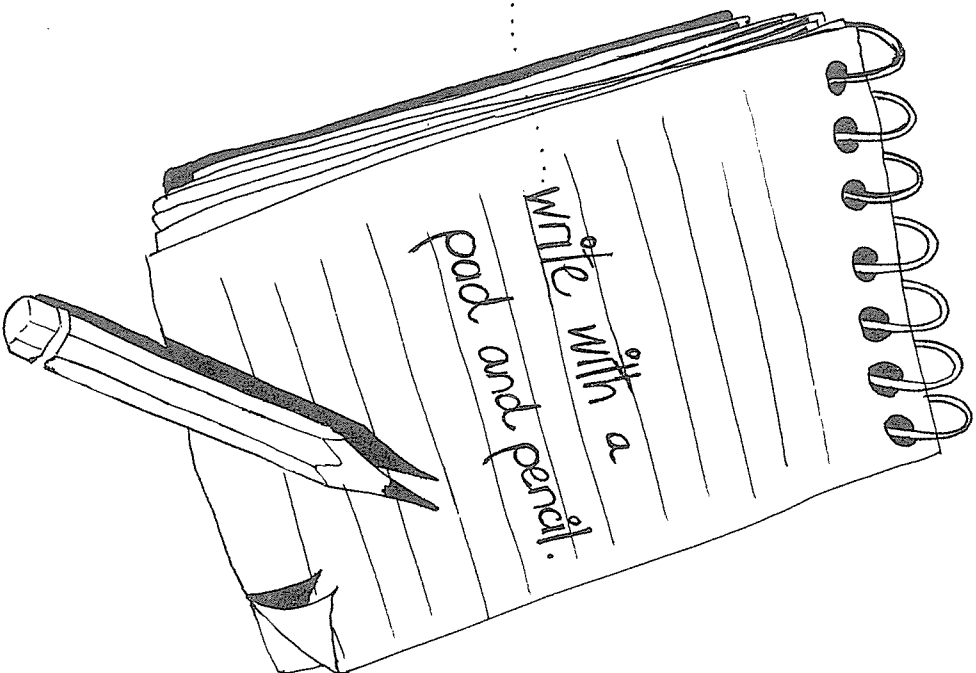
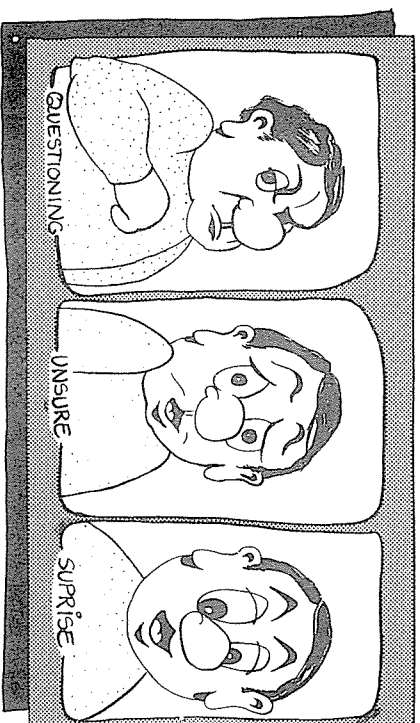
And don't shout or exaggerate your lip movements.



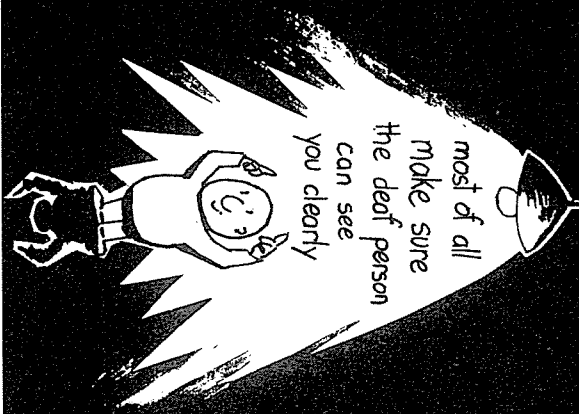
Be ready to...



use your face and body to talk.... and.....

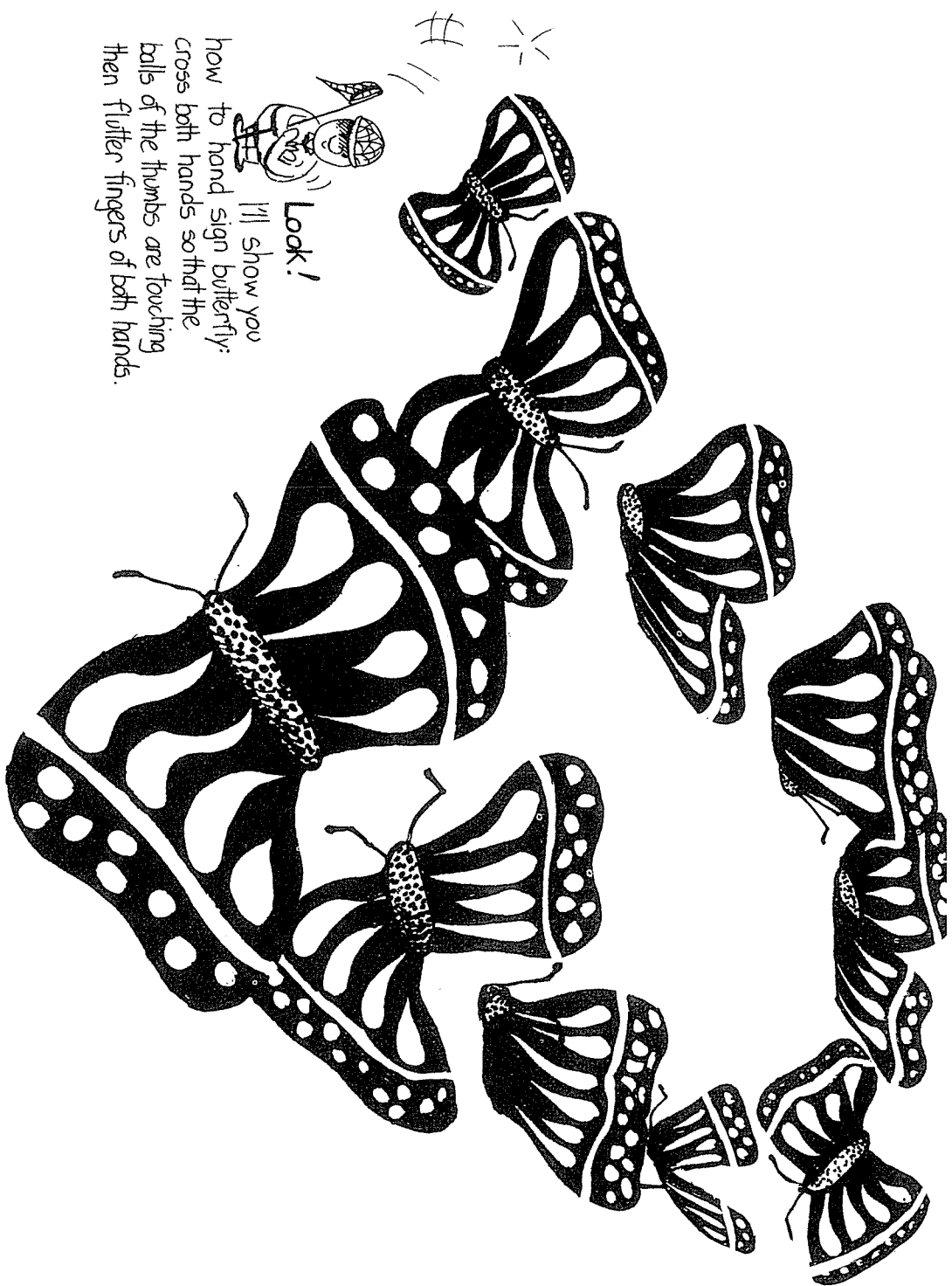
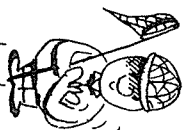


most of all
make sure
the deaf person
can see
you clearly



how to hand sign butterfly:
cross both hands so that the
balls of the thumbs are touching
then flutter fingers of both hands.

Look!



Although we can't hear properly,
deaf people take their place in a noisy world...





Beethoven
composed music
when he was deaf.

He does
mime and clowning

me
scientist

I'm a
JUDGE
what are
you?

I'm
a girl

How are
your spaces?

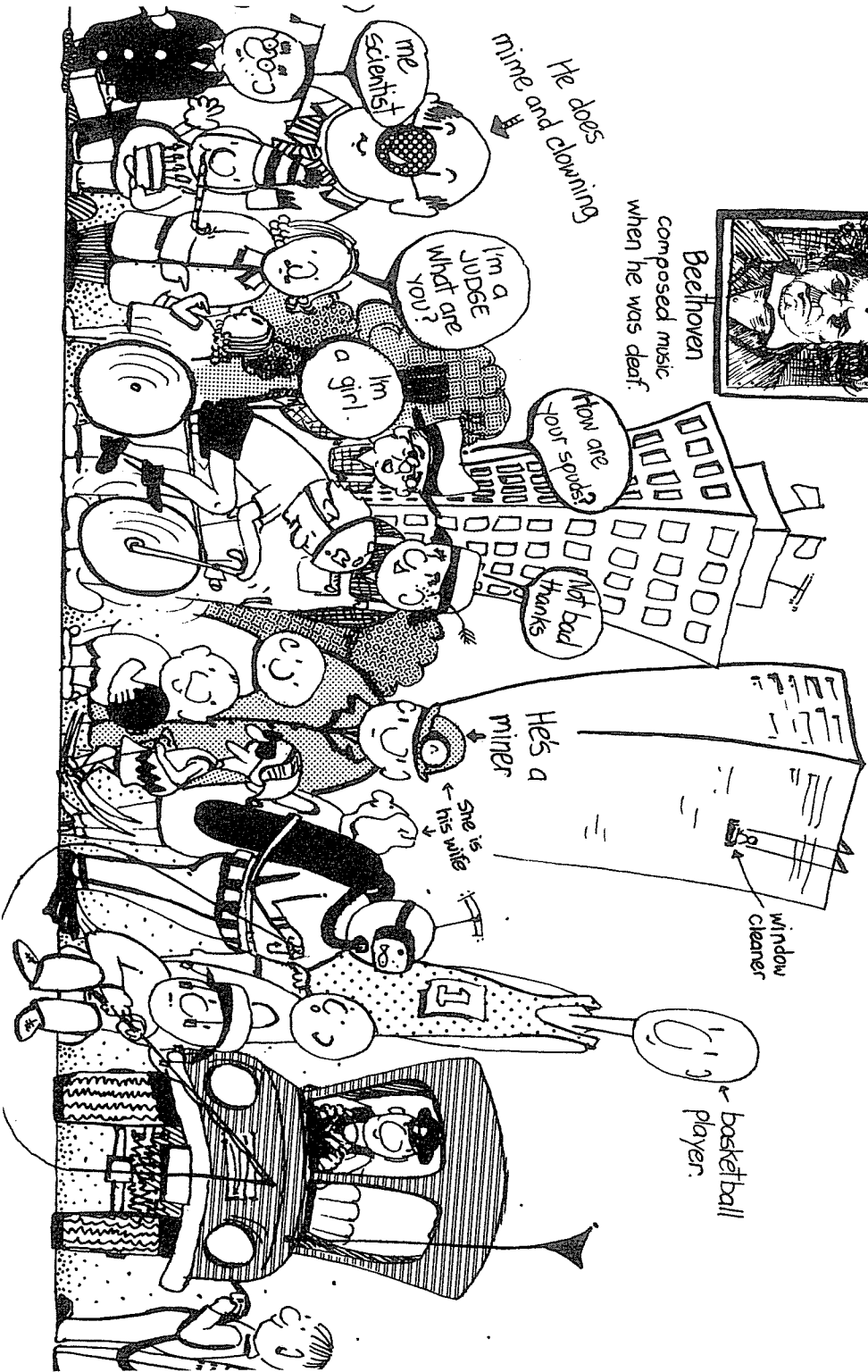
Not bad
thanks

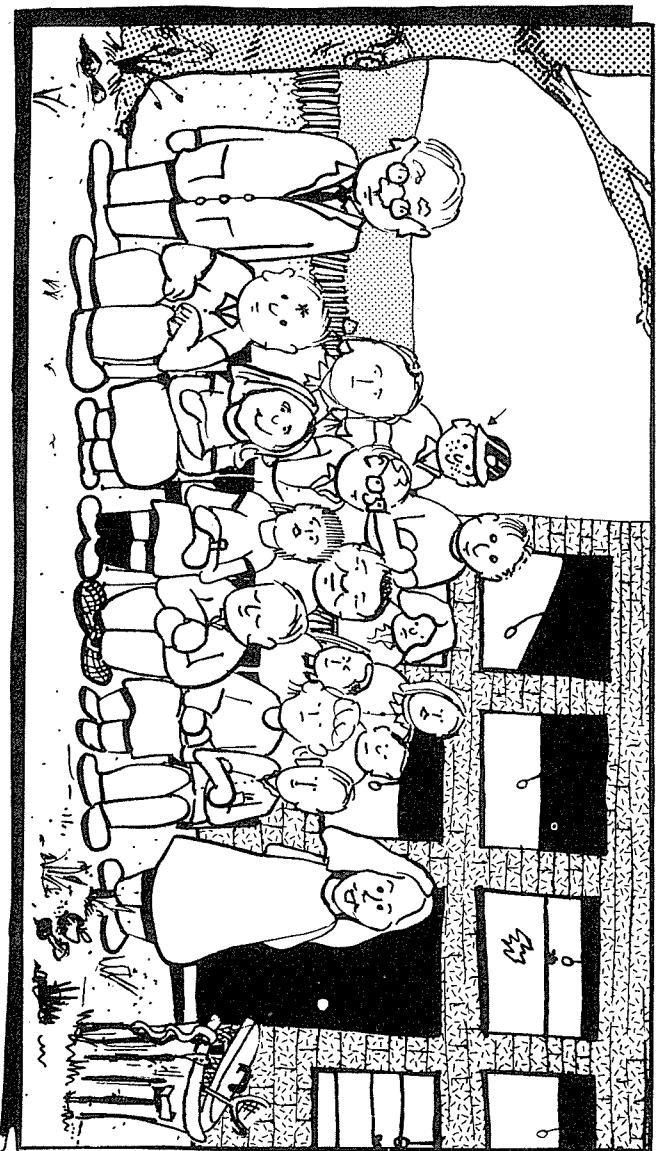
He's a
miner

She's his wife

window
cleaner

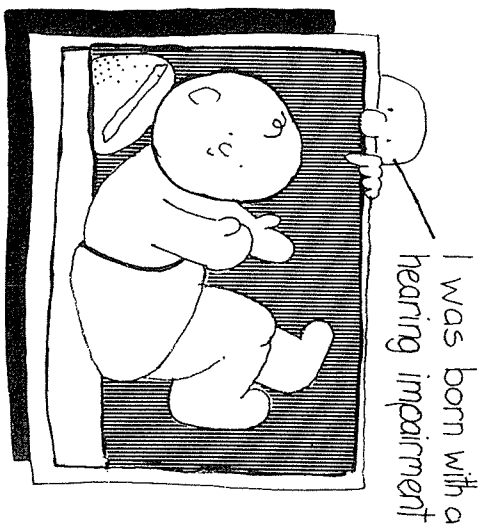
basketball
player.





I went to
an ordinary
school after
I learnt to
lipread and
speak.



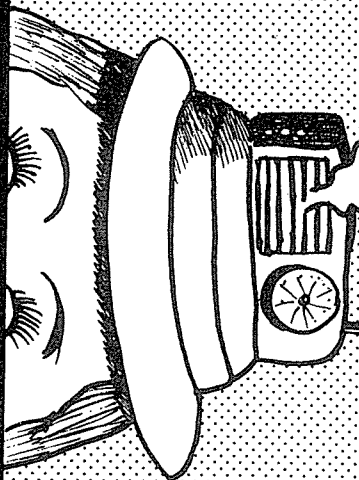


Grandparents often have problems with their hearing

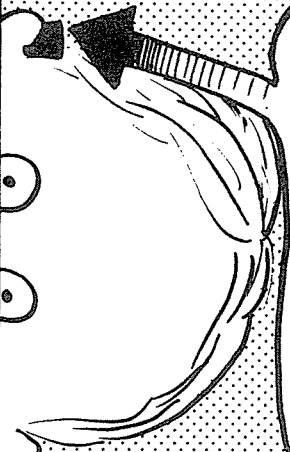
I use a
hearing aid.

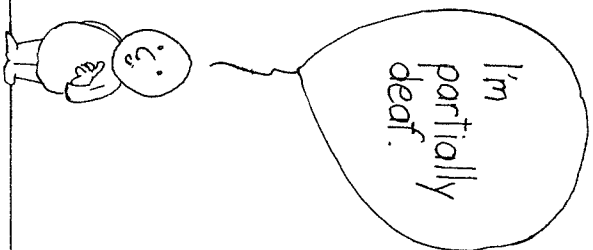
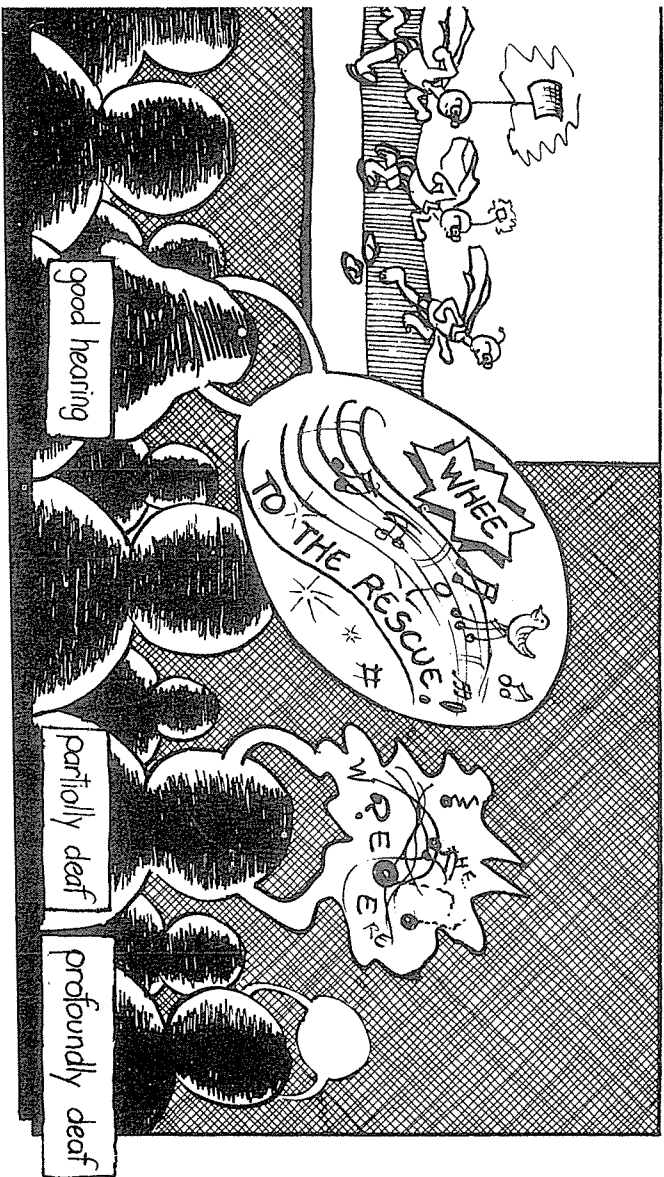


Good hearing
is like a radio
is tuned in

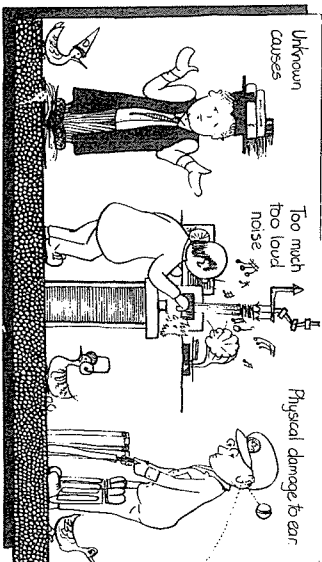


Sounds received
from a hearing aid
are like those of a
radio not tuned in

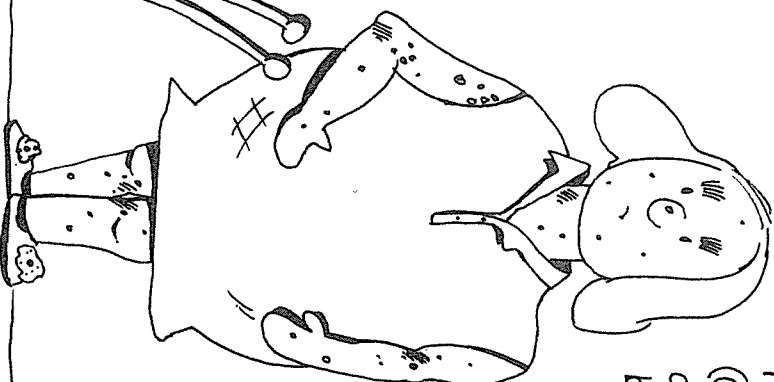
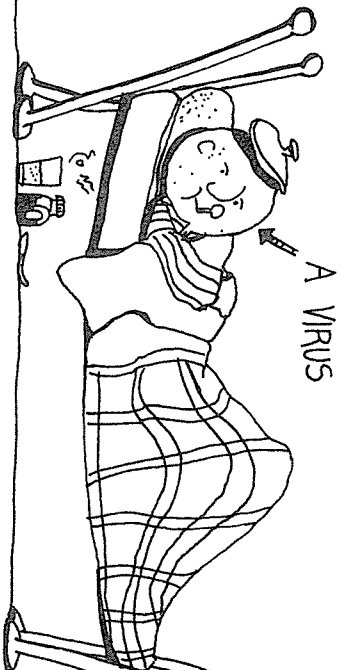




There are many causes of deafness...

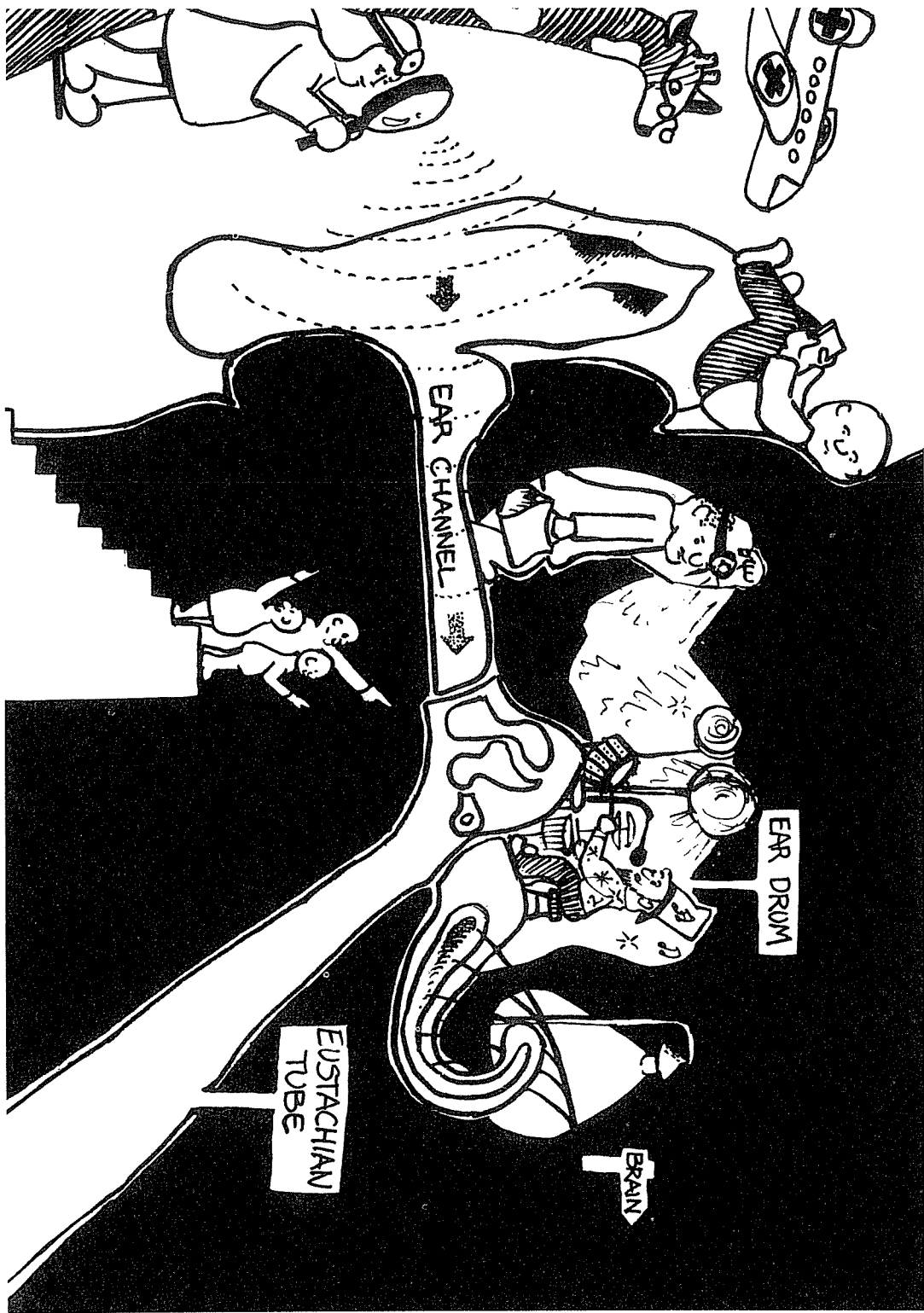


A VIRUS

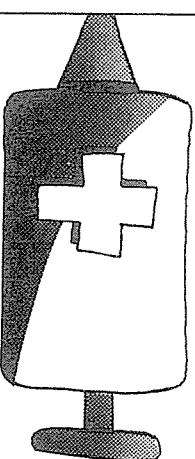
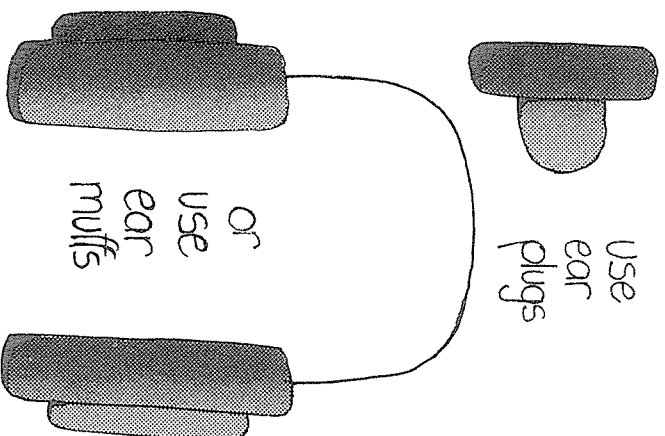
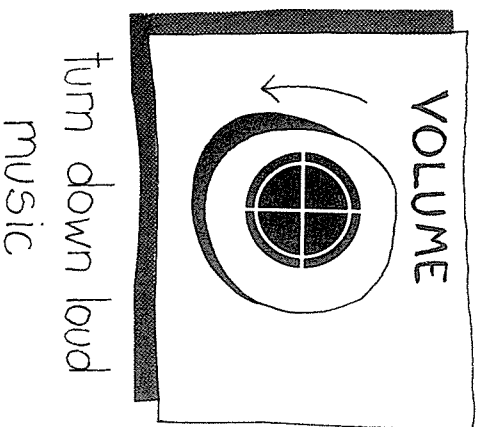


RUBELLA
(German Measles)
can cause deafness in the
babies of pregnant ladies.

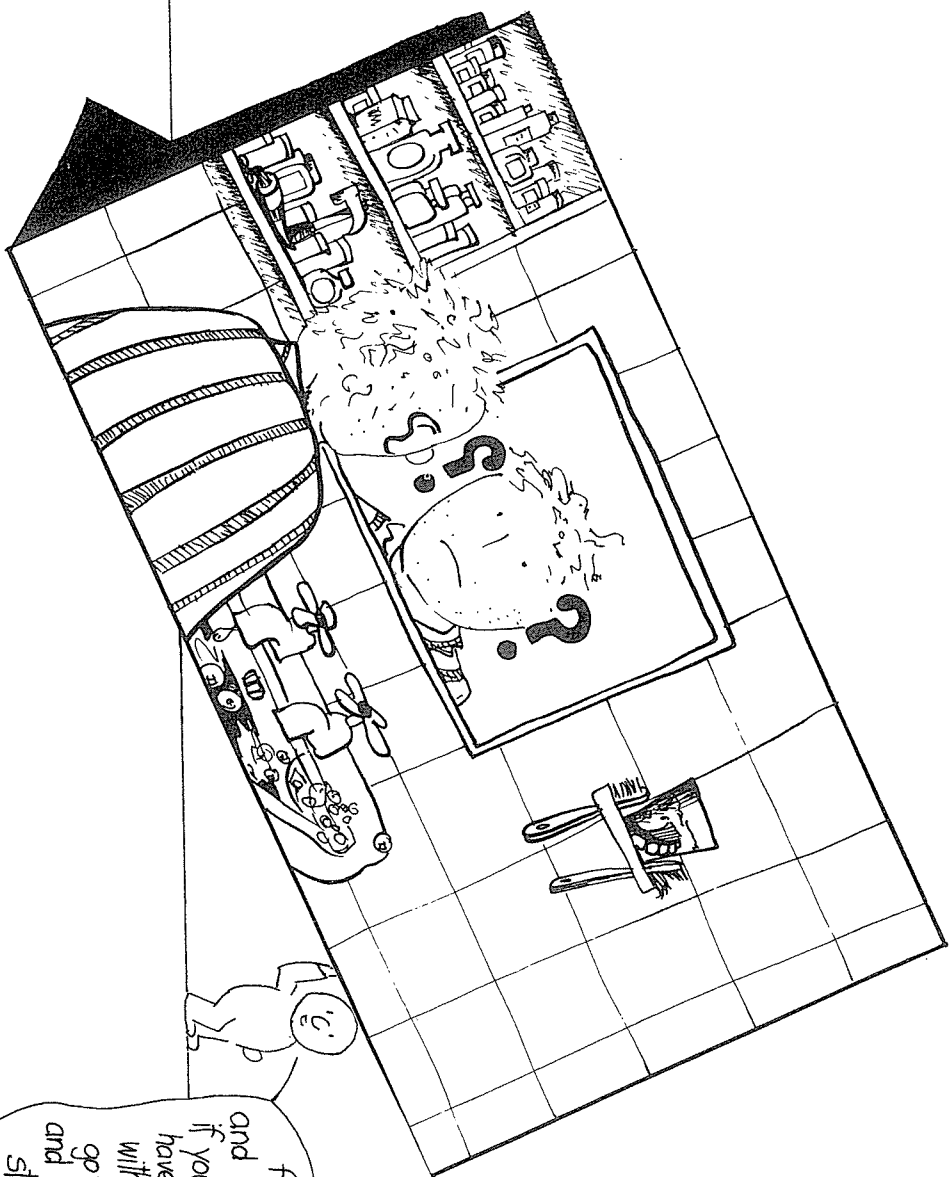
Hearing troubles
can be in many
parts of the ear.



You can protect your hearing...



be immunized
against rubella.



finally
and importantly,
if you think you
have a problem
with your hearing
go to the doctor
and have a check-up
straight away.

ACTIVITIES

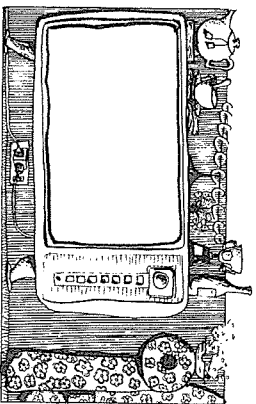
Gather some friends to learn fingerspelling and have conversations. Is it difficult?

Say something to a friend by only moving your lips. Don't use your voice. Did he understand you? Now you have a turn at lipreading him.

Collect 5 or 6 friends. Whisper a message to one friend. Get him to whisper it to another friend and so on. Ask the last person to tell you what he heard. Is it the same as the message that you started? - It is not easy to understand and talk when you cannot hear properly.

Instead of whispering, try passing a message by miming. After you have shown one friend the mime, he shows another person and so on. What does the last person think the mime is about? Is it hard to pass a message without sound?

Watch TV without sound. It is difficult to understand.




QUIZ ANSWERS

1. Because it is hard to see if someone can't hear.
2. Mumbling, mouth covered, lips not visible, shouting.
3. Stand in the light, use your face and body to talk.
4. b. 5. See page 9. 6. Yes, usually after they have learnt to speak and lipread. 7. Like a radio not tuned in. 8. Ear plugs or muffs, turn down bad sounds, be immunized against Rubella. 9. Because their mothers had Rubella during pregnancy 10. Virus, physical damage to ears. 11. 11. 12. 180,000 people.

QUIZ

THANK YOU

- 1 Deafness is sometimes called an invisible handicap. Why?
- 2 Name 2 things which can make it hard for a deaf person to lipread.
- 3 Name 2 ways to help a lipreader.
- 4 What letter is this - ?
- 5 Fingerspell: a, e, i, o and u.
- 6 Can deaf people go to ordinary schools?
- 7 What are sounds through a hearing aid like?
- 8 Name 2 ways you can protect hearing.
- 9 Why are some babies born deaf?
- 10 Name another cause of hearing problems?
- 11 If about 7% of Australians have a hearing loss, and if there are 14 million people in Australia, how many Australians have a hearing loss?

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