

Why Is Making Listening Easier So Important?

Now let's talk about why this strategy is so important.

Your child needs to hear every single speech sound and every word clearly. Their little brain needs access to all the sounds of speech and language happening around them, because it's how they learn – learn to listen, learn to talk, learn to read, and learn about the world around them.

Hearing aids not only amplify your voice but all the sounds happening around your child and that can make it difficult for a child with hearing loss to listen and attend to the most important sounds and language.

Because they haven't fully developed their spoken language skills yet, they aren't able to fill in any missing sounds or words the way you and I might do.

As adults, we've learned to ignore that background noise which means we may not even be aware of all the sounds that could be impacting a child's ability to hear clearly.

So, pay special attention. For a child with hearing loss, conversations decrease in loudness and clarity when there are competing sounds present.