
Subject: PA Speakers
Posted by [Chicken](#) on Fri, 02 Sep 2011 11:55:40 GMT
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I wish people would invest a little more in PA speakers. I can't understand the announcements made half the time, which rather negates the point.

Subject: Re: PA Speakers
Posted by [Nymeria](#) on Sat, 03 Sep 2011 14:02:53 GMT
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It's not always the speakers; sometimes it's the poor acoustics. In a subway station, for example, you have all those hard surfaces that sound waves bounce off of, frequently making the speech unintelligible.

Subject: Re: PA Speakers
Posted by [Thermionic](#) on Mon, 05 Sep 2011 17:48:08 GMT
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Howdy Chicken,

Cheapo PA speakers can definitely sound mighty crummy. But many times, the root cause of poor vocal intelligibility can also be low quality microphones and/or electronics, or improper equipment settings. Of course, room acoustics are always a huge factor. And, as Nymeria noted, a mediocre PA system in a room with excellent acoustical properties will nearly always sound better than a quality PA in a bad sounding room.

Thermionic
