Subject: Children's Hearing

Posted by Samuel on Sun, 23 Feb 2014 11:29:17 GMT

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How much more sensitive is a child's hearing, than an adult's, and how much more prone to damage by loud noises? At what level should we set volume limiters on children's items?

Subject: Re: Children's Hearing

Posted by Iceage on Mon, 24 Feb 2014 12:03:47 GMT

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I'm not sure that it's more apt to damage but yes it's more sensitive precisely because it hasn't been damaged yet. And since the damage they incur will be with them for life, looking after their hearing should be a priority.

Subject: Re: Children's Hearing

Posted by Samuel on Wed, 26 Feb 2014 10:31:06 GMT

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Yes, I agree that it's not something that can be taken lightly, at all. I'm just wondering exactly what the threshold for damage is, and what level is safe to set limiters at?

Subject: Re: Children's Hearing

Posted by Jackson on Tue, 11 Mar 2014 16:59:48 GMT

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Just set things at a reasonable level. A good rule of thumb is, if the walls are shaking, it's probably too loud. It doesn't need to be super loud to be heard. Maybe you could set it at a low level and ask your child if they can hear.