



# Communication Across the Lifespan

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**HLAA**

**Hearing Loss Association of America**

**40**

**YEARS 1979 - 2019**

**ADA30**   
Americans with Disabilities Act  
Celebrate the ADA! July 26, 2020

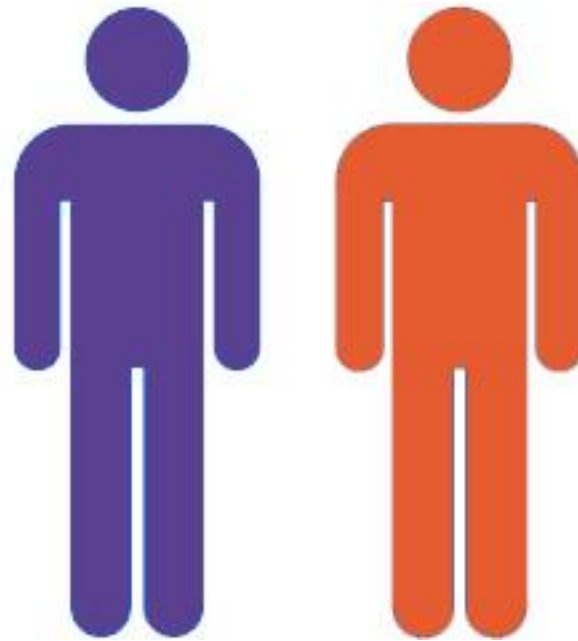
**DISABILITY RIGHTS**  
**ARE CIVIL RIGHTS**

# STIGMA

hearing loss = social stigma

- **embarrassment**
- **shame**
- **lowered self-esteem**

# Age 75

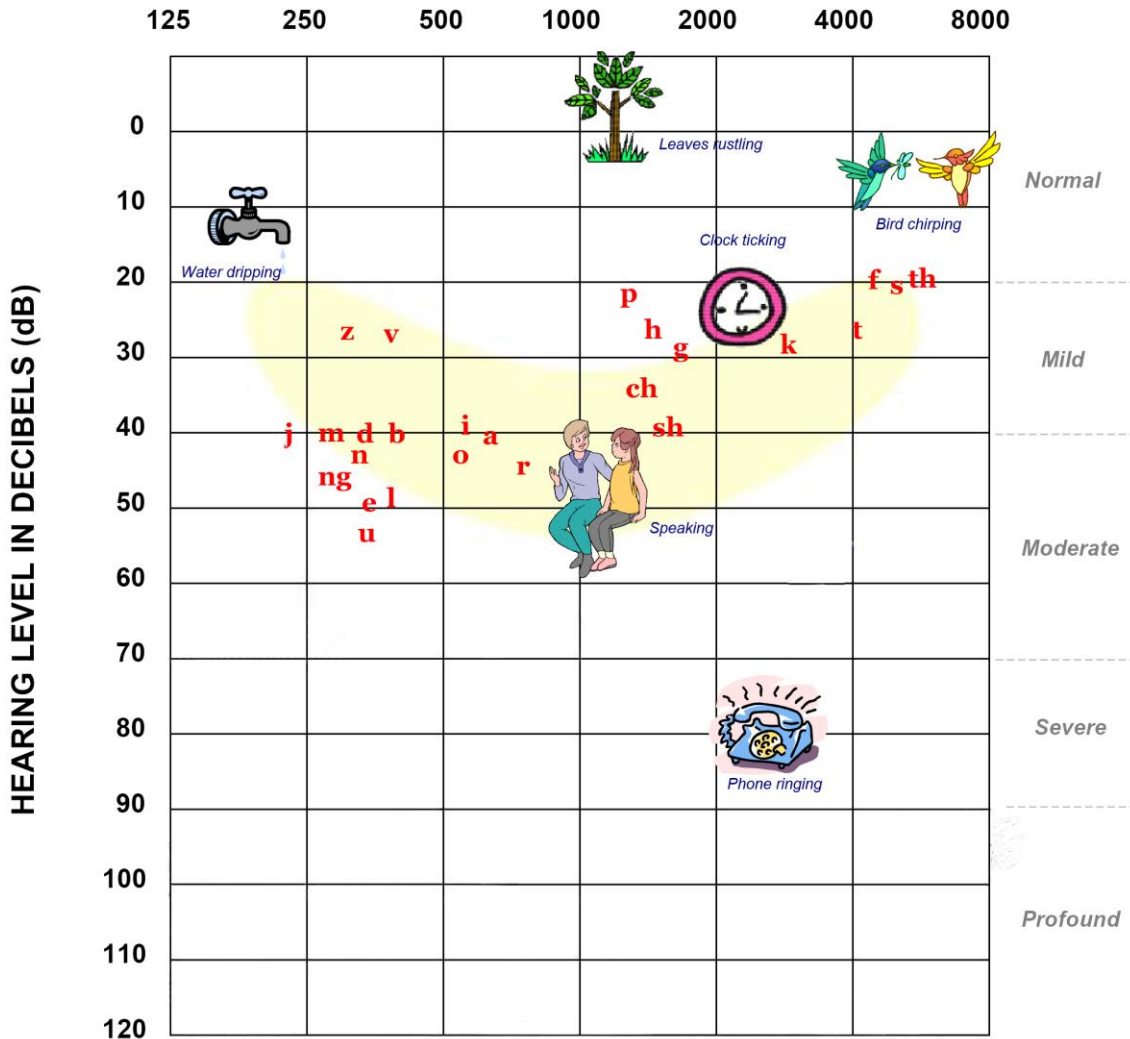


people with hearing loss

**My spouse is singing at the park on Thursday**

# AN AUDIOGRAM OF FAMILIAR SOUNDS

FREQUENCY IN CYCLES PER SECOND (HZ)





**ACCESSIBILITY**





**prevent social isolation**



# **Collaborate**

## telecoil education

# Barriers

- Cost
- Stigma
- Lack of social support





**hearing friendly communities**



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# QUESTIONS?

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