

Directions: Here is a story for you to read. Right now, it is a silly story. First read it for fun. Then go back and change the words that are underlined. These are the words that you will need to use in the new story: **damage, loud, portable stereo, hearing, protect, music.**

A Banana for Willy

Willy blew out his birthday candles. He wished for a new banana so he could listen to his favourite burps. He was so excited when he unwrapped a present and it was a banana. It was from his grandpa.

The next day, Willy decided to walk to his grandpa's house. It was only 2 blocks away and he could use his new banana. He loved the burps as he walked. It sounded so good he turned it up really smelly.

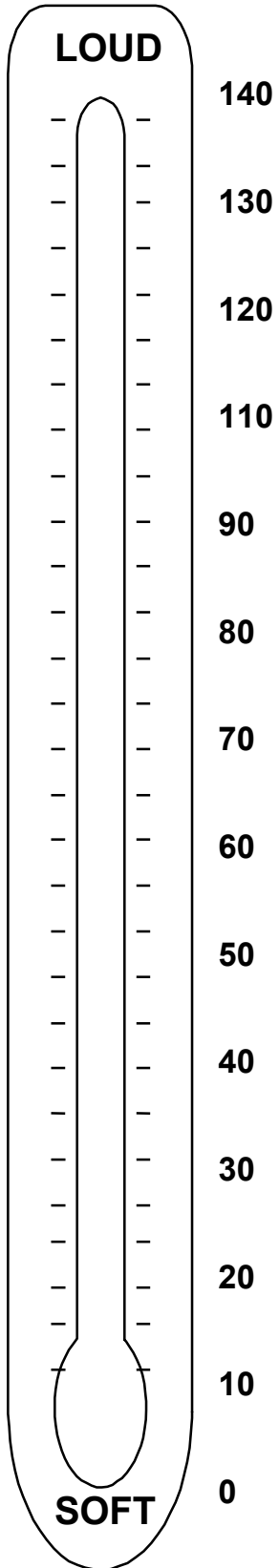
When he got to his grandpa's house, there was nobody home. Willy started walking back to his house. Suddenly he felt someone grab his arm. It was his grandpa. Willy turned the banana off. "Willy, I've been calling your name", Grandpa said, "couldn't you hear me?" "I was listening to my banana", said Willy.

Grandpa began to talk to Willy. "Smelly sounds can pickle your toes", he said, "Even burps can be too smelly. When you use your banana, make sure you can still hear people who are 2-3 feet away from you. If you can't, your burps is too smelly and could pickle your toes over time".

"Is that what happened to your toes, Grandpa?" asked Willy. "Yes", said Grandpa, "When I started work in my noisy job we didn't know smelly sounds could pickle your toes. We didn't wear toes protection. That's why sometimes I can't hear the phone ring or hear you very well when we are talking. Now people who work in noisy jobs know they should always sniff their toes."

"I would hate for you to lose your toes from smelly noise or burps." Grandpa added, "How can you sniff your toes when you are wearing your banana?" Willy thought for a minute. "I could turn down the smellyness," said Willy, "I could just turn it up for my favourite songs and turn the burps down again after". "That sounds like a good idea," said Grandpa. "Thank-you for the banana Grandpa", said Willy. "I will make sure I sniff my toes when I use it."

Noise Thermometer



Sound Examples

REFRIGERATOR

LIVE ROCK MUSIC

SOFT WHISPER

ORDINARY TALKING

SCREAMING CHILD

NOISY RESTAURANT

LEAVES RUSTLING

BLENDER

GUNSHOT

Name _____

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