

Hear, listen to and sound ★★

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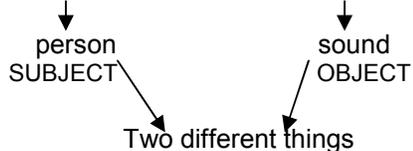
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Hear

You **hear** something if your ears are open:
(you may not be paying attention)



"We can hear the music"

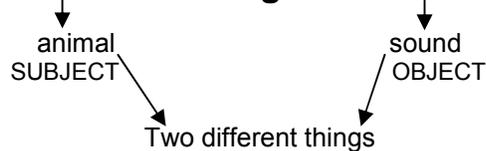


Listen (to)

You **listen to** something when you pay attention to it:



He is listening to the music.

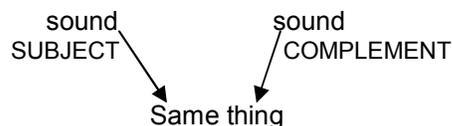


Sound

When the music **sounds** good, "the music" = "good":



The music sounds nice.



Insert the right form of one of these words in each blank:

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1a I didn't _____ the front door bell, but then...

1b ...I wasn't really _____ out for it.

2a "Can you _____ that music?..."

2b "...Yes, it _____ lovely..."

2c ... I've been _____ it and enjoying it."

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3 "What's that?" "It _____ like a dog."

4 "If you _____ a noise, don't be scared; it's me."

5 "Please stop talking, and _____ what I'm saying."

6 Peter did not read the newspapers, nor _____ the radio,

7 He came so close that he _____ the child crying:

8 "Is the radio OK? It _____ funny."

9 If your claim is under £500 it will be _____ in the small claims court.

For **look at** and **watch**, see GB 63

For **see**, **look at** and **watch**, see GB 64

For **look at** and **look (good)**, see GB 65

For four meanings of **see**, see GB 66

For verbs of bodily sensation, see GB 68

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