

Characteristics of Auditory Processing Disorders

Difficulty following multi-step directives

Trouble understanding in noisy listening environments

Poor listening skills

Academic performance does not match ability

Struggles to pay attention

May exhibit auditory memory issues

Need more time to process auditory information

Difficulty with reading, spelling, math word problems and vocabulary

Disorganized and forgetful

Tire easily when engaged in listening tasks for extended periods

May have problems with receptive language or comprehending abstract information

Often look for visual cues to help "fill in" gaps they miss through oral information

Become frustrated and may exhibit behavior problems