

Happy Little Ears

A story to share with the whole family



Can you find the hidden ear on every page of the story?

Marcus'



Marcus



Mae
(Sister)



Kath
(Mum)



Gavin
(Dad)

Family



Ruby
(Cousin)

Danny
(Uncle)

Sissy
(Aunty)

Gracie
(Nanna)



One day, Marcus was walking home from school with his friends.
“Hey Marcus, what ya doing later?”
“I’m gonna see my new baby sister,” said Marcus.



“Hi Mum, you’re back from hospital. Is this my new baby sister?”

“Come and say hi to your little sister Mae,” said Mum.



“Mum, did Mae have sore ears too? Is that why she was at the hospital? I remember when I was at the hospital for my ears. I had to stay overnight.”



“Mae had her hearing tested at the hospital and her ears are good. But her ears can still get sore like yours did,” said Mum.

“What can we do to stop Mae from getting sore ears?” asked Marcus.

Mum and Marcus talked about ways to keep Mae’s ears healthy.



“Before I went to hospital, I couldn’t hear very well. My friends would tell jokes and I never got them. It made me real grumpy. My ears were really sore and were runny sometimes.”



“Can you hear better now?” asked Mum.

“It’s better now, I can hear my teacher and friends at school and I can hear my cousins at the park,” said Marcus.



“Nanna, Mum told me it’s better for Mae to have her own bed to stop her from getting sore ears. Where can we get a little bed for Mae?”

“Ruby is a big girl now, so Aunty Sissy has given us Ruby’s cot,” said Nanna.



“Uncle Danny! You can’t smoke inside the house. Mae could get sore ears. I don’t want my little sister getting sore ears.”

“Okay little man, I won’t smoke inside or around you kids anymore,” said Uncle Danny.



“Dad you’re home from work. True, you need a shower,” said Marcus.
“We will all need to keep our hands clean, to keep bub’s ears healthy,”
said Mum.



“Aunty Sissy, let’s go start on dinner,” said Nanna.



“Nanna, what’s for dinner?” asked Marcus.

“Stew and damper,” said Nanna. “I’m putting in lots of vegetables and meat, to keep us healthy.”

“Eating healthy food helps keep our ears healthy too,” said Aunty Sissy.



Mae started to cry.

“Sounds like someone’s hungry. I better give her a feed,” said Mum.

“I’m hungry too,” said Dad. “I’ll go see if dinner is ready.”



“Aunty, what do babies eat?” asked Ruby.

“I’m giving bubba my milk. It’s the best thing for her and it’s another way to keep bub’s ears healthy,” said Aunty Kath.



“Ruby, look at your runny nose, come here!” said Ruby’s mum. She got a tissue for Ruby. “Ok, now blow. Good girl, don’t want you getting sore ears,” she said. Then Aunty Sissy threw the tissue in the bin and washed her hands.



“Healthy ears are very important. Can you remember how you felt when you had sore ears and couldn’t hear well?” asked Nanna.

“Ah ha” said Marcus. “I hope Mae doesn’t get sore ears like what I had.”



Draw your family here.

