

LO: Identify the best way that we can hear a quiet sound.



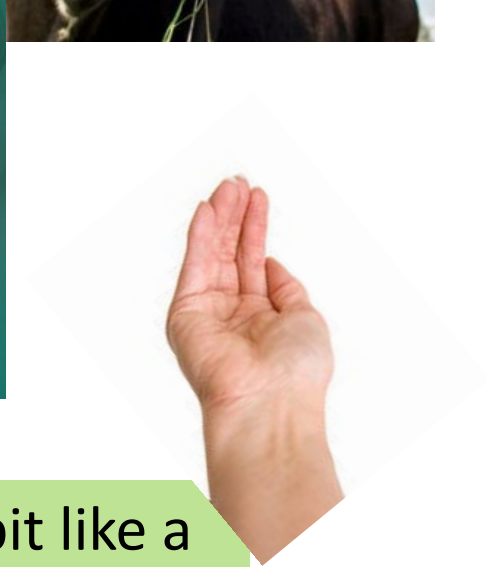
Dave and the other  
members of  
***Sounds Spectacular***  
need your help to find  
out more about ears

Let's be ear detectives!





What do all these ears have in common?



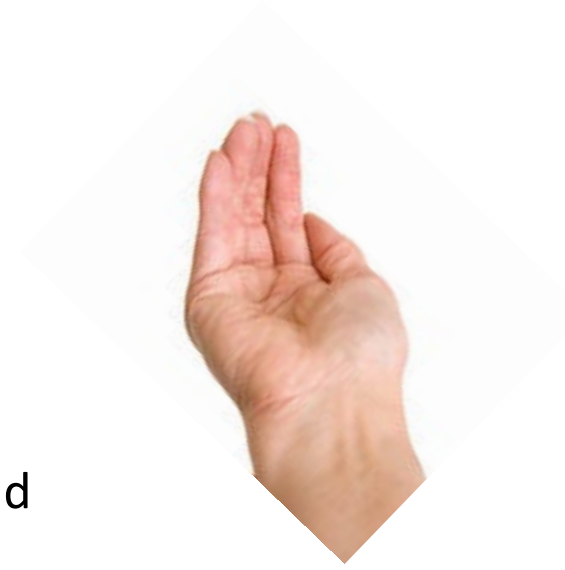
You may have thought of lots of different ways they are similar. One thing they all have in common is their shape.

They are all shaped a bit like a cupped hand

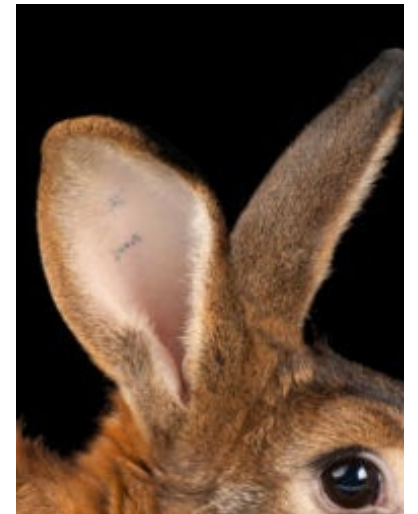
Try cupping your hand to make an animal ear shape.



Sometimes people put a cupped hand around their ear to help them hear better. But does it work?



Perhaps would you hear better with a cardboard animal ear held up to your ear instead?



How could you find out which is better for hearing a quiet sound?