

# Jack & Molly's Hearing Test



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This is Jack.

Jack is very good at reading. He likes to read books about dinosaurs. Jack knows all about dinosaurs.



This is Molly.

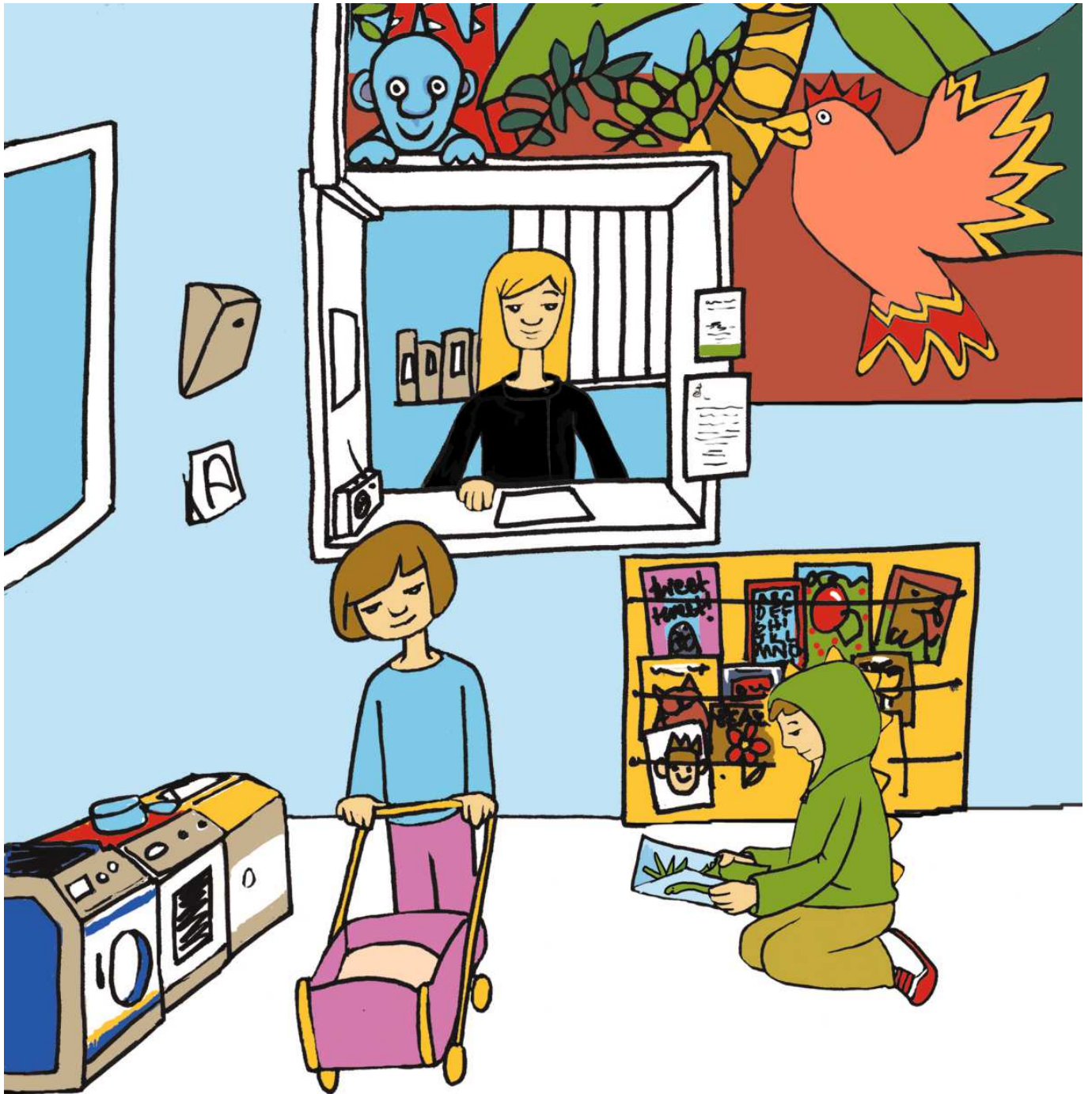
Molly is Jack's sister. Molly likes dancing and likes to pretend that she is a famous dancer.



Molly and Jack are going to get their hearing checked to make sure that they can hear well. Molly has had her hearing checked at school before.

She tells Jack it was easy, so Jack doesn't feel too worried.





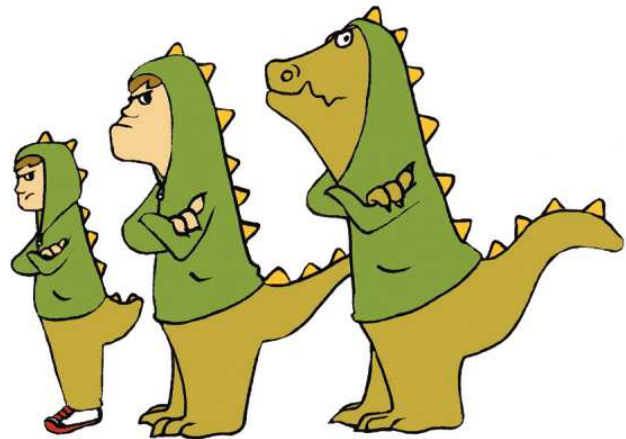
When they arrive Mum sits down in the waiting room. Molly sees some toys and Jack sees a box of books. Mum says that they can play, but reminds Jack and Molly to play nicely and that when their name is called out, it's time to have their hearing checked.



Jack and Molly please

Molly puts the toys away, but Jack starts to get worried.

Mum and Molly know that when Jack gets worried, Tyrannosaurus Jack starts to grow. The



nurse has a friendly and smiley face, and says that Jack can bring his book into the hearing test room if he wants to. Tyrannosaurus Jack gets small again, and Mum, Jack and Molly follow the nurse into the hearing test room.



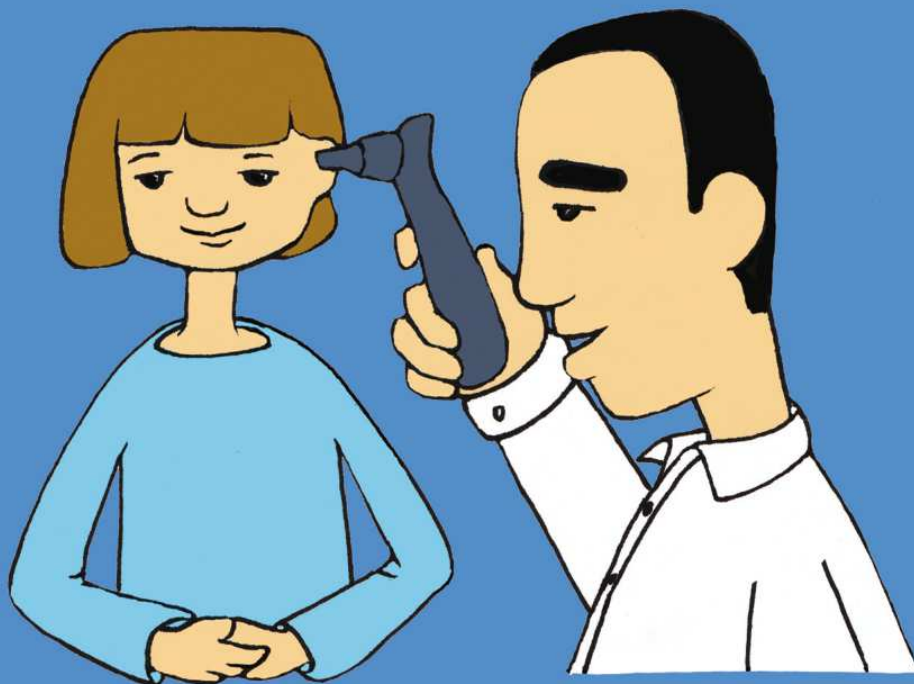


Mummy talks to a man called Ben, while Jack and Molly play with the nurse.

The nurse says that having a hearing test is just a game where you drop a toy bear into a bucket.



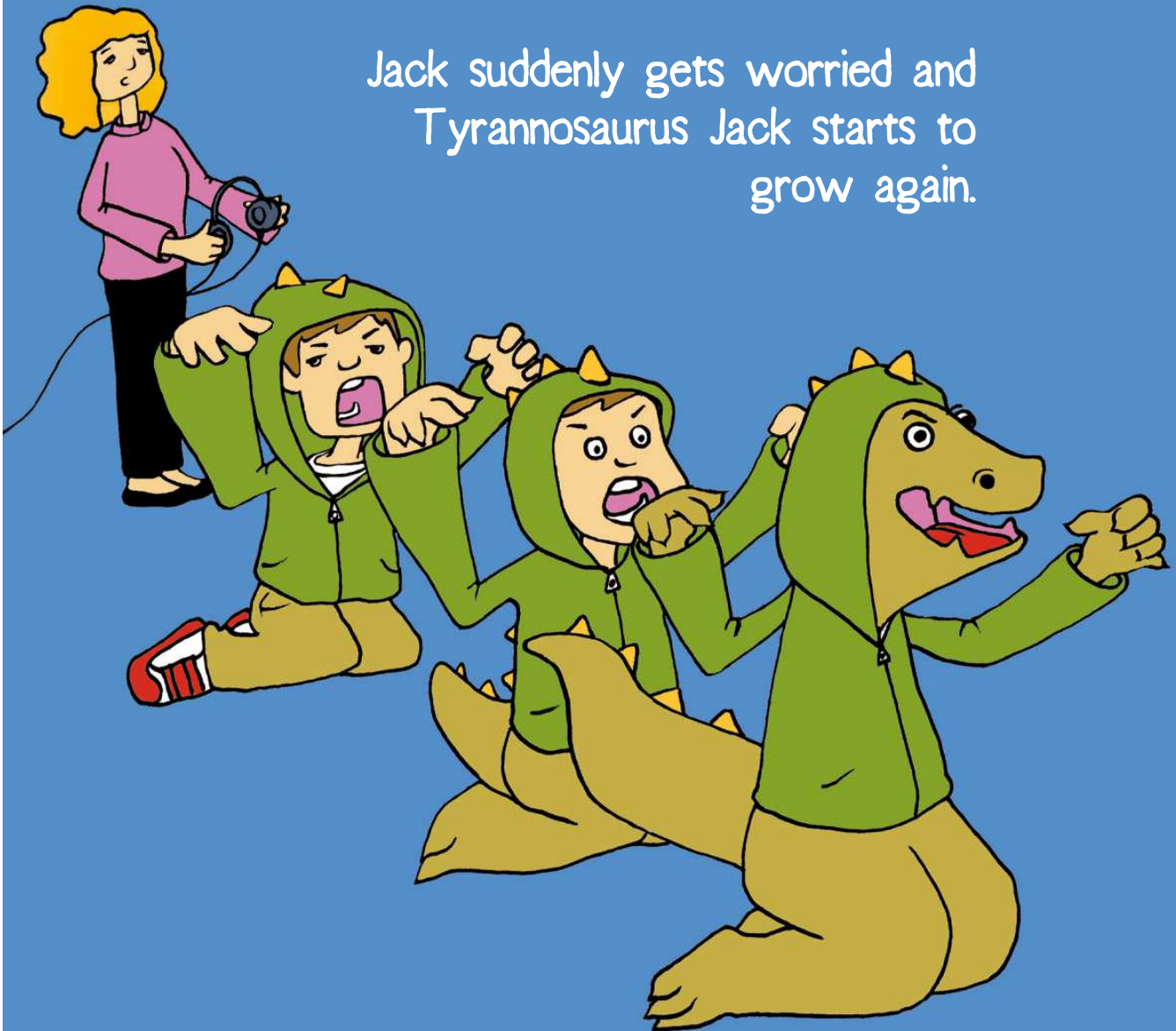
When Ben and Mum finish talking, it's Molly's turn to have her hearing tested. The nurse puts headphones on Molly's ears and Molly drops a bear, one at a time, into the bucket.



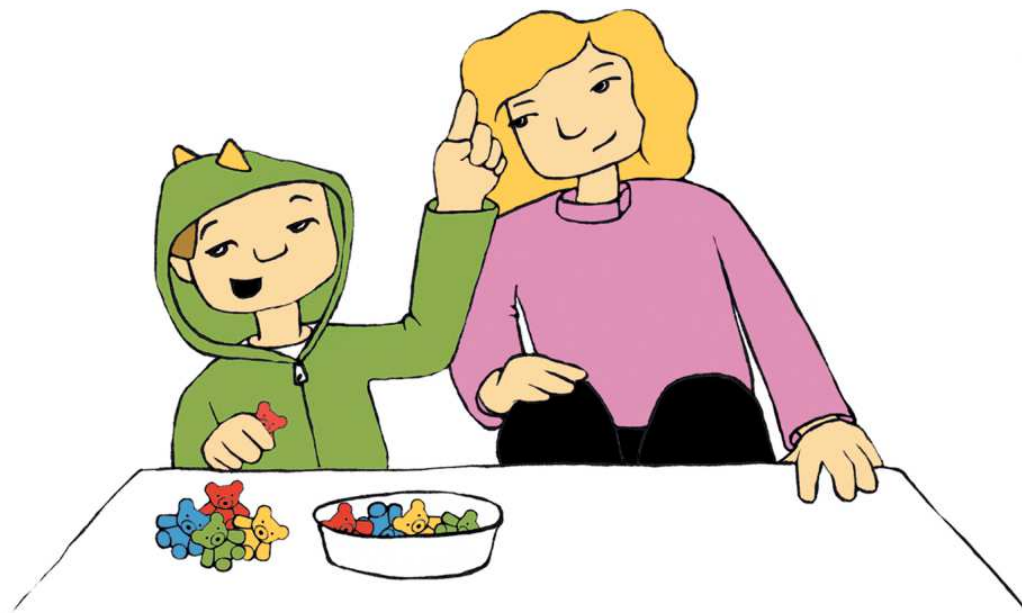
When she's finished, the nurse says how well she did. Ben looks into Molly's ears with a special torch and after that, Molly's hearing test is finished and Ben says that it's Jack's turn.



Jack suddenly gets worried and  
Tyrannosaurus Jack starts to  
grow again.



Ben says that Jack doesn't have to wear  
headphones if he doesn't want to, and the nurse  
says that she will help him as well.



Jack and the nurse listen carefully and when they hear a noise, they both drop a bear in the bucket. Jack hears loads more sounds than the nurse and he feels very proud of himself.



At the end, Jack sits on Mum's knee while Ben looks into his ear with the special torch and Jack's hearing test is finished.



The nurse gives Jack and Molly a sticker each for doing so well; Ben asks Jack if he will come back another time and do a hearing test with the headphones like Molly did.

QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR CHILD ABOUT THE STORY:

*Why did Jack and Molly have to get their hearing checked?*

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*What do Molly and Jack have to do when the nurse calls their names out?*

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*What did Jack have to do when he heard a sound?*

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*What did Molly and Jack get as a reward for doing their hearing test?*

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This leaflet was produced by Ben Mann as part of the Post-Graduate Certificate in Asperger Syndrome. The aim of the leaflet is to prepare all children for what will happen during their hearing test appointment, in order to reduce their anxiety and improve the productivity of the appointment. Special emphasis has been put on reinforcing appropriate behaviour in areas that children with social communication disorders find difficult.

