



Speaking from Experience

Young people & Hearing Impairment

Transcript for chapter 7 of 7: Words of wisdom

Cynthia 18, diagnosed as an infant: My friends give me good advice and say to wear your hearing aid and don't be ashamed. To wear it out in public and don't care what other people say. With your hearing aid, you can do better. It will get you somewhere in life, when you wear your hearing aid.

Tyson 13, diagnosed age 3: Don't worry, they're nothing to be embarrassed about. It's just hearing loss. No one is perfect.

Cynthia: It's best to put the kids at the front, so the kids can hear. Speak clearly to the kids. Make sure they stand face to face, so they can hear them.

Khaled 12, diagnosed as an infant: Try to work hard. Practice writing a little bit in high school.

Tyson: They don't have to worry because it's easy to get through. All you have to do is pretty much just put up with it.

Cynthia: It didn't stop me, so I went and got my year 10 certificate. Yeah.

Georgia 10, diagnosed age 4: As long as you've got really good friends, who understand you, life is going to be okay.

Tyson: Just not to worry about it. Just think, it's just another thing, another obstacle in my life, I'll just jump over it and keep going.