

## Signs of Common Disorders and those that are shared by Children with Hearing Loss

Signs of Behavior Difficulties	Signs of Language Disorder	Signs of Autism
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● hits</li> <li>● pushes</li> <li>● yells</li> <li>● fights with peers</li> <li>● has sleeping problems</li> <li>● has excessive energy levels</li> <li>● is unable to sit still and focus</li> <li>● is a picky eater</li> <li>● has frequent tantrums</li> <li>● loses things needed for activities at school and at home</li> <li>● forgets things</li> <li>● Is easily distracted</li> <li>● Is fidgety</li> <li>● runs or climbs inappropriately</li> <li>● cannot play quietly</li> <li>● blurts out answers</li> <li>● interrupts people</li> <li>● cannot stay in seat</li> <li>● talks too much</li> <li>● has trouble waiting his or her turn</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● does not use words to communicate</li> <li>● does not imitate</li> <li>● will not play games</li> <li>● is easily distractible</li> <li>● has oral-motor problems such as excessive drooling, trouble with solid foods, intolerance to touch in and around the mouth</li> <li>● uses only nouns</li> <li>● does not tolerate sitting for listening activity/looking at books, etc.</li> <li>● is not speaking in full sentences (not necessarily correct grammar, but a variety of word types)</li> <li>● is not using "I" to refer to self</li> <li>● cannot relate experiences, even in simple telegraph sentences</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● resists cuddling and holding</li> <li>● appears unaware of others' feelings</li> <li>● loses previously acquired ability to say words</li> <li>● does not make eye contact when making requests</li> <li>● speaks with an abnormal tone or rhythm — may use a singsong voice or robot-like speech</li> <li>● performs repetitive movements, such as rocking or spinning</li> <li>● develops specific routines</li> <li>● becomes disturbed at the slightest change in routines</li> <li>● may be fascinated by parts of an object, such as the spinning wheels of a toy</li> </ul>