What is DELTA?
Deaf Education through Listening and Talking

DELTA is a national charity that knows that the vast majority of deaf children can learn to listen and talk. We believe that all parents of deaf children should be given this option. We support deaf children and their families by:

- Providing information for parents and professionals
- Information days and social meetings
- Summer Schools
- Training courses for practitioners

"The Summer School gave us the confidence to enjoy our baby and realise we had the skills and ability to do it"

More information?

We have much more information on our website at:

www.deafeducation.org.uk

Please contact us if you would like to know more about:

- Helping your child to listen and talk
- Making choices for your child and family
- Selecting and maintaining hearing aids and cochlear implants
- Joining us for Summer Schools and courses

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Deaf babies CAN develop language naturally . . .

. . . Just like hearing babies. . .



. . . through the Natural Aural approach

My baby is deaf

Finding out that your baby has a hearing loss early means that your baby:

- Can be well aided from the start
- Will begin to access spoken language.
- Your baby has the opportunity to acquire this language through age appropriate interactions and play
- You and your baby are both naturally pre-programmed to interact spontaneously and meaningfully

The right technology early

Early identification means the right technology from the start. Audiologists ensure that the technology is right for your baby. By wearing it at every opportunity **you** ensure that your deaf child accesses your family's language.

How do babies develop language?

- They love faces
- They love voices especially the exaggerated language we use naturally with babies
- They love singing and music
- They love routines and the talk, song and play that goes with it
- They love anticipation games and your touch and your smiley face
- They love it when you give them your undivided attention



It is just the same for your baby.

Families talking and interacting:

- You know your baby
- You know how to make him smile
- You know what he needs and you know what he likes
- You are watching and listening to him
- You know what to do as it comes naturally
- You are the expert

Parenting through the Natural Aural approach gives your deaf child the best start in life and the best start to develop language naturally.

