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8. Better Hearing and Speech Month

Hear the Engines Roar



There were rows and rows of planes of all shapes, sizes, and colors. A large crowd had gathered to examine and admire the planes. This was the day of the annual air show. There would soon be planes taking off from the runway to fly high above the spectators. The pilots would make their planes perform amazing stunts, like flying upside down, spinning, and nose-diving.

This was Evan's first airshow, and he couldn't wait for it to begin. He had come with his grandfather, who had been to many airshows. He told Allen how loud the planes would be as they revved up their engines and prepared to speed down the runway for takeoff. He taught Evan how to cup his hands over his ears to protect his young hearing. Evan's Grandfather has hearing loss and wears a hearing aid in each ear. He is hoping his grandson will take good care of his ears so that he will not have to do that when he gets older.



- 1. In the story, what special event is Evan attending with his grandfather?
- 2. Name one type of stunt the pilots will make their planes do during the airshow.
- 3. Evan's grandfather said the planes would be very loud when they did what?
- 4. What did Evan's grandfather teach him to do to protect his hearing at the show?
- 5. What does Evan's grandfather wear in each ear to help him hear better?