

Special Sense 2 (ENT)

Student Instructions

Special senses 2 – Dermatology/ENT

You are the FY2 in General Practice. Marcus Briggs, 61, has come to see you about his Reducing Hearing. A clinical photo is provided which you can refer to in the reading time.

You will be asked to:

0-8 minutes

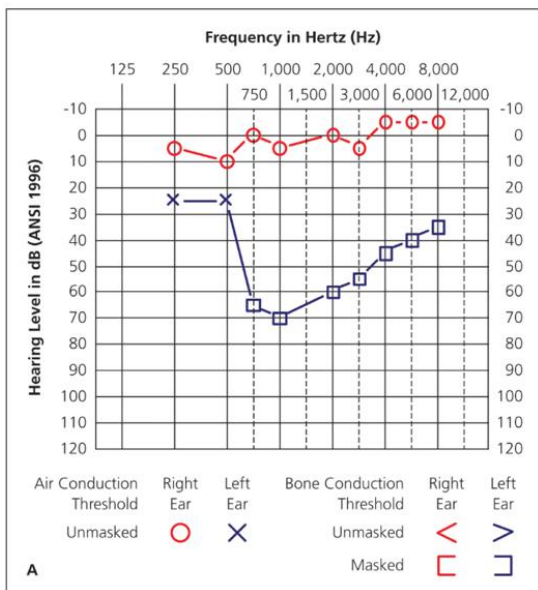
- Take a history from the simulator (5 minutes)
- Describe the findings in the image and summarise the case to the examiner and discuss your diagnosis and any differentials (3 minutes)

8 – 10 minutes

- Answer questions from the examiner (2 minutes)

Special Sense 2 (ENT) Patient Instructions

- Patient Diagnosis: *Acoustic Neuroma*
- Patient history:
 - *PC: Hearing impairment*
 - *HPC*
 - *First noticed 2 months ago*
 - *Progressed to point where hearing people requires using the right ear*
 - *Other symptoms*
 - *Headache, Tinnitus*
 - *These started in the last month, present most of the time*
 - *Occasional feelings of dizziness*
 - *Systems review*
 - *No weight loss, vomiting, vision change*
 - *No changes to bowel/ bladder function*
 - *PMHx, Drug Hx & Allergies, Family Hx: None*
 - *Social Hx:*
 - *Retired construction worker*
 - *No recreational drug use*
 - *Smoking half a pack a day for last 23 years*
 - *Social drinker at weekends*
 - *ICE*
 - *Ideas: Normal aging*
 - *Concerns: Worried it will get worse and will need hearing aids*
 - *Expectations: Symptom relief*



Audiogram taken from American Family Physician <https://www.aafp.org/pubs/afp/issues/2013/0101/p41.html>

Special Sense 2 (ENT) Examiner Marksheet

Marking Criteria	Tick ()
1. Introduction	
2. Professional attitude and patient friendly manner maintained throughout the history	
3. HPC	
4. PC	
5. Other relevant symptoms + appropriate systems review	
6. PMHx	
7. DHx + Allergies	
8. FHx	
9. SHx	
10. ICE	
11. Correct interpretation of photo	
12. Reasonable differentials suggested with sound logic	
13. Examiner Questions	

Question 1: What is your most likely diagnosis

Left-sided Acoustic Neuroma

Question 2: What findings would you expect on Rinne and Weber tests

No conductive hearing loss either side

Sound lateralises to Right side

Question 3: Which facial or ocular signs may be elicited in someone with an Acoustic Neuroma

Cranial Nerve V effects- Absent corneal reflex

Cranial Nerve VII effects- Facial palsy

Global Impression:

- Excellent
- Good
- Pass
- Borderline
- Fail

Patient Impression/comments: