

Lesson 8

READ THIS STORY #1, Advanced

Hearing Loss

At first Dorothy thought Norman was ignoring her because he didn't seem to listen to what she was saying. When she complained, Norman asked her to stop mumbling and to talk more clearly. Dorothy suspected that Norman's ability to hear had diminished.

Although Norman didn't want to admit he had a problem, he agreed to have his hearing checked.

The doctor confirmed her fears. Norman was losing his hearing. The doctor said it would not help to yell. He advised her to face Norman when she spoke to him, so he could watch her lips.

During the exam, the doctor stated that a hearing aid would probably help Norman. Norman tried one, and was pleased with the tiny device. It made a big change in his life, and improved his relationship with his wife.