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**Listenwise Launches Groundbreaking Listening Comprehension Assessment**

Teachers can now monitor eight different elements of listening comprehension

**Boston, MA** – Today, Listenwise, a listening skills company, announced the launch of their new listening comprehension assessments. These unique listening comprehension assessments give teachers the ability to evaluate students across eight different aspects of listening comprehension such as main idea, vocabulary and inferencing. Listenwise’s quizzes fill a national need to teach and monitor listening skills in middle and high schools to help students acquire college and career ready levels of listening and reading comprehension.

Until now there haven’t been any digital assessments designed for use by teachers to test and track key areas of listening comprehension. Teachers can now teach listening comprehension, using a research-based approach to identify the key areas of listening comprehension, test them and then work on improving them - just like they do with reading comprehension.

Listening comprehension is a fundamental building block to reading comprehension and literacy. Now there is new research evidence concerning a growing number of children who fail to develop adequate reading comprehension skills primarily due to poor listening comprehension.

“Listening comprehension has not received the necessary level of attention in the classroom, partly due to lack of assessment data. We are redefining listening instruction by giving teachers the data they need, and the curriculum-embedded tools for improving student skills,” says Listenwise Founder and CEO, Monica Brady-Myerov.

Listenwise Premium pairs high quality curriculum-aligned listening content with learning tools and listening comprehension assessments. Premium provides insights into student understanding and scaffolding for language acquisition and literacy. With these new automatically scored formative assessments, teachers can test student listening skills and identify areas that need improvement.

Diane Gray, an English teacher from Marco Forster Middle School in CA, has found great success with using Listenwise’s assessments paired with the podcast lessons: "After using the Listenwise quizzes with my class I am sure we need to work on listening skills more. There is plenty of other teaching material for content, but I think listening is a skill that needs to be

developed and no other product gives us this much insight into listening skills. The information provided by the reports is instrumental in my teaching.”

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**About Listenwise:**

Listenwise is an award-winning listening comprehension platform. We harness the power of listening to advance literacy and learning in all students. Our collection of podcasts and public radio keeps teaching connected to the real world and builds student listening skills at the same time. The curriculum aligned podcasts are paired with learning tools and listening comprehension assessments to transform them into rigorous academic content. Students are motivated by the interesting real world stories, and Listenwise provides the literacy supports and differentiated instruction necessary for diverse classrooms including ELLs and emerging readers. Find more information at: [listenwise.com](http://listenwise.com)