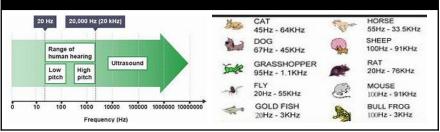
Subject Physics Yea				r 8 Term Spring			
1. Key Words		ds	Definition				
1	1 Vibration			A back and forth motion about a point.			
2		Pitch		How low or high a sound sounds. A low pitch sound has a low frequency. A high pitch sound has a high frequency.			
3	3 Amplitude			The distance from the middle to the maximum vibration of the wave- units - metres (m)			
4	Volume			How loud or quiet a sound is – units = decibels (dB)			
5	Frequency			The number of complete waves produced in one second – units = Hertz (Hz)			
6		Vacuum		A space in which there is no particles of matter.			
7	Wavelength		:h	The distance between two identical points on a wave – units = metres (m)			
8 U		Ultrasound		Sound at a frequency greater than 20000 Hz, above the range of human hearing.			
2. Command Words							
1	D	Define State or describe exactly the nature, scope, or meaning of		te or describe exactly the nature, scope, or meaning of			
				omething / establish the character of something; mark out the			
				undary or limits of something			
2		Summarise Give a brief statement of the main points of something.					
3	Sι	Suggest		Used with another command word, e.g. Suggest an explanation.			
				Iggest tells you that you need to apply your knowledge to a new tuation, and in this case to give a possible explanation			
4	w	-		ving a reason or explanation to support the answer of the			
	vvily			question.			
5	In			cribe meaning.			
6	_			bk at the information in the question and bring it together to			
				hake a decision and come to a conclusion with evidence from the			
	q		qu	estion. You may be asked to give a personal response.			
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3.	3. Frequency and range of hearing in animals						



Topic Sound & Waves

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How we hear and range of hearing in animals

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- 1 The vibrations in the air make the eardrum vibrate.
- 2 These vibrations are passed through to the three small bones (called ossicles).
 - Vibrations are passed along to a spiral structure called the cochlea.
 - Signals are passed from the cochlea (sound energy to electrical energy) to the brain through the auditory nerve-
 - Our brain interprets these signals as sound

Your ear is the organ in your body which detects sound waves. See diagram below for the parts of the ear. $\begin{array}{c} & & \\$

Humans can only hear sounds of certain frequencies, called the audible

range. This is 20-20000 Hz. Different species have different audible

As you get older, you lose the ability to hear very high and very low

Loudness, Decibels and Sound speeds							
Volume is measured in decibels (dB). An increase of 10 dB means a sound is 10 times louder. A 40 dB sound is 100 times louder than a 20 dB sound.							
 Statement	Light	Sound					
Speed in a vacuum	299 800 000 m/s	0 m/s					
Speed in air (at 20°C)	299 700 000 m/s	343 m/s					
Speed in water	225 000 000 m/s	1500 m/s					
Speed in steel	0 m/s	5100 m/s					
Speed in glass	200 000 000 m/s	2000–6000 m/s					
Can it transfer energy	Yes	Yes					

Materials, mediums and sound proofing

An insulating material can be used to sound proof and absorb sound waves.

