Going to the Research Laboratory
Today I am going to visit the research laboratory.

I will help scientists discover new things about how children hear sounds.
The researcher will show me some pictures and ask me questions.

Some of the questions might be easy and some might be hard for me. I might not answer all the questions but I will try my best.
The researcher will measure my head using a tape measure.
The researcher will make a small mark on my head with a red pencil.
The researcher will put a towel on me so my clothes stay dry.

If I am cold, I can have a blanket to keep me warm.
The researcher will put a special cap on my head. This special cap lets the scientists look at what’s happening in my brain when I am listening to sounds. I will close my eye when the researcher puts the cap on my head. It will feel cold and wet but I will stay warm.
If I don’t like how the cap feels, I will tell the researcher.
The researcher will put special ear plugs in my ears. These will let me hear the sounds the researchers are going to play.

If I don’t like how the ear plugs feel, I will tell the researcher.
The researcher will play sounds one at a time. When I hear a sound, I will press the button.
I will sit very still and watch a movie on a computer screen. The movie won’t have any sounds because I will be listening to the special sounds the research plays in my ears.
The researcher will tell me when the sounds are finished. I can move around in the chair until the sounds start again.

I will sit still when the research tells me the sounds are going to start.
If I feel scared or uncomfortable I will tell the researcher.
When the researcher has finished playing all the sounds, it is time to go.
I am happy that I got to visit the research laboratory today.