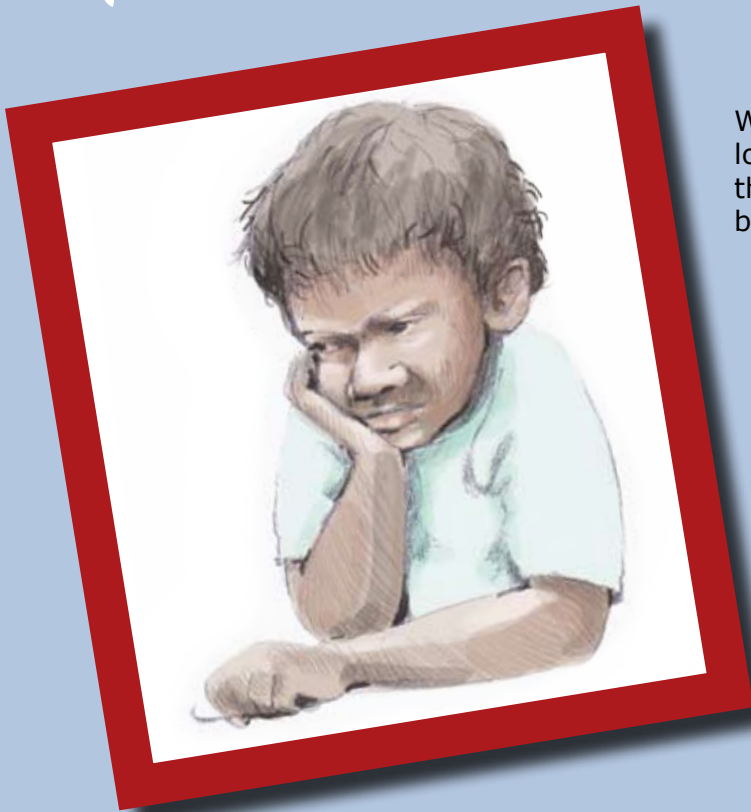


When kids worry about being dumb



When kids have hearing loss because of ear infections they often worry about being dumb.

smart families get their ears checked

This book is to use to help tell the story to families about why kids with hearing problems often grow up thinking that they are 'dumb'.

Print out this book and draw or paint pictures to tell your story and then stick them onto these pages.

Kids with hearing loss often watch more to be able to learn, They see that other kids can listen and understand better than them. so kids start to think that they are dumb.

When kids have hearing loss
family may growl at them when
they don't understand what is said.
Some people in the family can also
start to think they are dumb.

But kids with hearing loss are not dumb. When they can learn in ways that are easy for them, they are just as smart as other kids without hearing loss.

Families can help kids by reminding them of what things they do well and giving them enough help in things they find hard.