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- *Part 1: Pure-tone air and bone conduction threshold audiometry*
- *Part 2: Sound field audiometry with pure-tone and narrow-band test signals*
- *Part 3: Speech audiometry*

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## Introduction

Speech audiometry is used for the assessment of hearing in connection with diagnostic evaluation and audiological rehabilitation.

The results of speech audiometry depend on the speech material and test method used. This part of ISO 8253 sets conditions for speech materials in order to assure minimum requirements of precision and comparability between different tests using different speech materials including materials in different languages. It also specifies procedures to be used when testing speech recognition.