Sound Study Guide

Your sound quiz will be on Tuesday, December 23.

We have studied the following "Big Ideas" about sound in school. Please review these at home.

- 1. **<u>Sound</u>** is anything that we can hear.
- 2. All sounds are made by vibrations. A **<u>vibration</u>** is a back and forth movement.
- 3. Sound can travel through air and other materials.
- 4. Sound can travel through some materials better than others.
 - a. Sound travels well through **wood**, **plastic**, **and aluminum**.
 - b. Sound does NOT travel well through foam and pillows.
- 5. Sound travels by causing vibrations in the air or other materials. It travels in waves.
- 6. **<u>Pitch</u>** is how *high* or *low* a sound is.
- 7. <u>Volume</u> is how *loud* or *soft* a sound is.
- 8. Changing vibrations can change the pitch and volume.
 - a. Fast vibrations make high and loud sounds.
 - b. <u>Slow</u> vibrations make <u>low and soft</u> sounds.
- 9. Sound travels through the parts of the ear (outer ear, middle ear, and inner ear) to the brain.
- 10. How can you keep your ears safe? Some examples are:
 - a. Don't put anything in your ear smaller than your elbow.
 - b. Cover your ears if there is a loud sound.
 - c. Tell someone if your ear hurts or it is hard to hear sounds.

