How acoustically friendly is your room?

Circle all the relevant statements below

What are the basic descriptors of the room?

OPEN PLAN	_Low ceiling_	HIGH CEILING	_Well fitted door with acoustic / fire seal_	POORLY FITTED DOORS	_Double / triple glazing_

Which Acoustic Treatments have been applied to the room?

Soft furnishings	_Pictures on the walls_	BARE ROOM	_Table cloth_	NO WINDOW COVERS
Carpets	_Acoustic ceiling tiles_	_Curtains_	HARD FLOOR	_Blinds_

What noises are you aware of within the room?

FRIDGE BUZZING	NOISE FROM COMPUTER GAMES	_No radio or television on_	WASHING MACHINE NOISE	_Background noise < 40dBA_	PEOPLE TALKING
COOKING OR OTHER ACTIVITY	_No scraping of chairs_	CLATTERING OF KNIVES AND FORKS	_No dishwasher noise_	HEATING SYSTEMS	FAN(S) OR VENTILATION

What external noises can be heard in the room?

CHILDREN PLAYING OUTSIDE	ROAD TRAFFIC	NEIGHBOUR'S NOISES	NOISE FROM OTHER ROOMS	_quiet location_	AEROPLANES

Distance between you and the child?

1 metre	_2 metres_	4 METRES

Final Score

Number of *italic* answers   =

Number of CAPITAL answers   =

CAPITALS > *Italics* ⇒ poor acoustic environment, **Major improvements should be made**

Italics > CAPITALS ⇒ acceptable acoustic environment, **Minor improvements should be made**

What can be changed ?

Using your answers above list any practical solutions that could be made to improve the acoustics of your room