Ready to be Heard: How I Lost My Hearing and Found My Voice

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Recommended Sample Media Questions

1. How old were you when you began to lose your hearing?
2. Why did you hide your hearing loss from the people around you?
3. Did you experience bullying in school while you were growing up?
4. How did you feel when you first realized you had become 100% Deaf?
5. What motivated you to finish your college education?
6. Were there differences in how people treated you now that you identified as “DEAF?”
7. Why did you chose to get a cochlear implant?
8. Why are cochlear implants so controversial?
9. When did you start learning sign language and about Deaf culture?
10. How was your life changed by becoming a member of Deaf culture?
11. How do you feel now about being a Deaf woman?
12. Are there any “perks” to being Deaf?
13. What motivated you to write the book “Ready to be Heard?”
14. What does the title “Ready to be Heard” mean to you?
15. Is the book just for Deaf people or for everyone?
16. Do you have any tips for talking to a Deaf person if you don’t know sign language?
17. DO you have any tips for audience members who are starting to lose their hearing?
18. Do you have any tips for audience members working to overcome obstacles in their lives right now?
19. How do you stay motivated to continue overcoming obstacles and chasing your dreams?
20. What television shows, films and theater work have you done?
21. How do you feel about the diversity in casting movement in Hollywood right now? Do you feel like actors with disabilities should be included in the conversation?

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