Lesson 3:

Use the fact boxes below to guide your answers to these tasks.

Volume

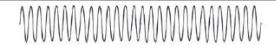
- · a whisper: 20 dB
- · loud music: 110 dB

Wavelength

- High-pitched sounds have high frequencies and shorter wavelengths.
- · Low-pitched sounds have low frequencies and longer wavelengths.

Example

 The waves produced by an ambulance siren (at roughly 110 dB):



Match the wave to the sound you think it shows. One has been done for you.

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2	\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\
3	/////////////////////////////////////
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A bass guitar

The National Anthem played at a high volume

A fire-drill alarm

The National Anthem played at a low volume

Now, complete the following statements using the word box to help you. Be careful: one of the words is used twice.

- Sounds 2, 3 and 4 have the same ______
- Sound 3 has the longest ______.
- Sound 4 has the highest ______.

amplitude wavelength frequency





Choose two different sounds to the ones you have looked at already. Sketch the wave you would expect each sound to produce.

Sound 1		
Sound 2		

Compare the waves of your two sounds. In what ways are they different? Explain your answer to your partner.

