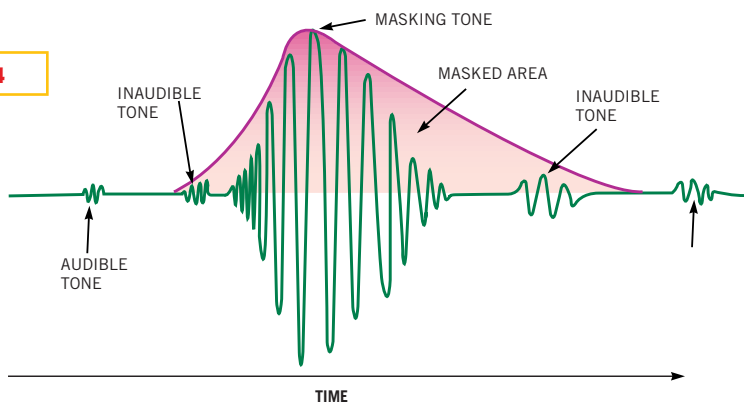


**Figure 4**



A tone of given frequency can mask quieter nearby frequency tones that follow and even precede it (courtesy Creative Technology).