

Speech & Language Milestones

AGE 2



LANGUAGE

Receptive Language

- Locates an object mentioned
- Follows many 1-step directions/2-step emerging
- Matches color and shapes /matches objects to pictures
- Understands simple WH-questions and yes/no questions
- Understands pronouns : I, YOU, ME, MY

Expressive Language

- Uses 200-300 words
- Imitates new words
- Combines 2 and 3 words
- Asks routine questions
- Labels pictures
- Uses descriptive words

Pragmatic Language

- parallel play, talks to self during play, Symbolic play emerges
- Begins to reason about feelings
- Uses verbal language as primary means of expression
- Has a conversation with 2-3 turns
- Talks about immediate experiences

SPEECH

Phoneme production & Intelligibility

- According to GFTA-3 : /p, b/ are consistently produced in words and /b,d, k, g, n, w, h, f/ sounds are emerging
- By 2 years speech is 50-75% intelligible

Motor Foundations & Feeding

- Self-feeding with spoon with some spillage
- Drinks from cup with limited-to-no spilling
- Swallows with lip closure; no loss of food or saliva
- Chews a broad range of foods and textures
- Tongue-tip elevation used for swallowing
- No longer drools during fine-motor tasks
- Can transfer foods from either side of the mouth

LITERACY & PHONOLOGICAL AWARENESS

Early Reading

- Likes to listen to stories/book for longer periods of time
- Holds book correctly
- Develops awareness that print represents words

