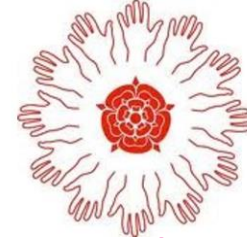


# Speech and Language in the Early Years

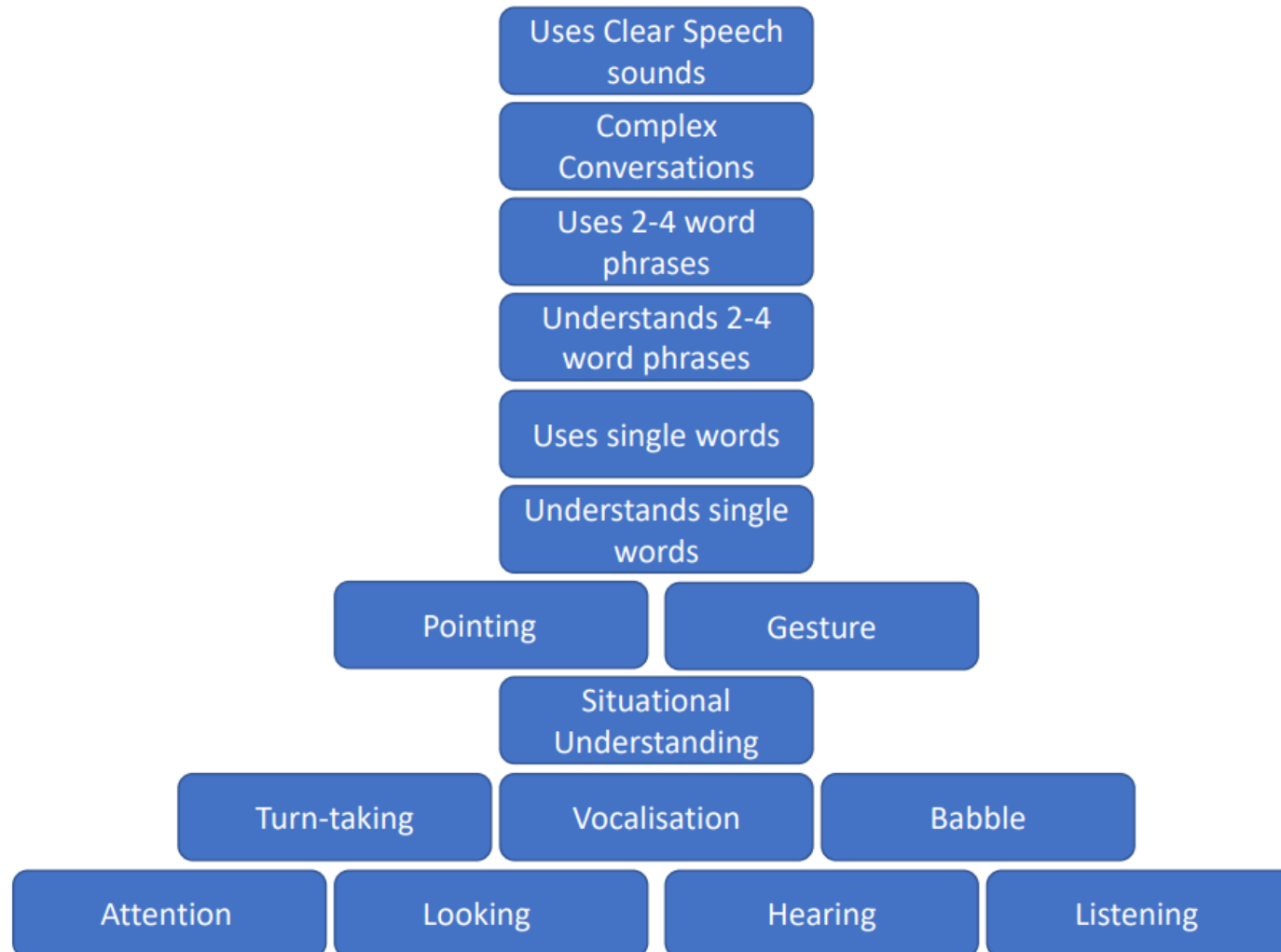
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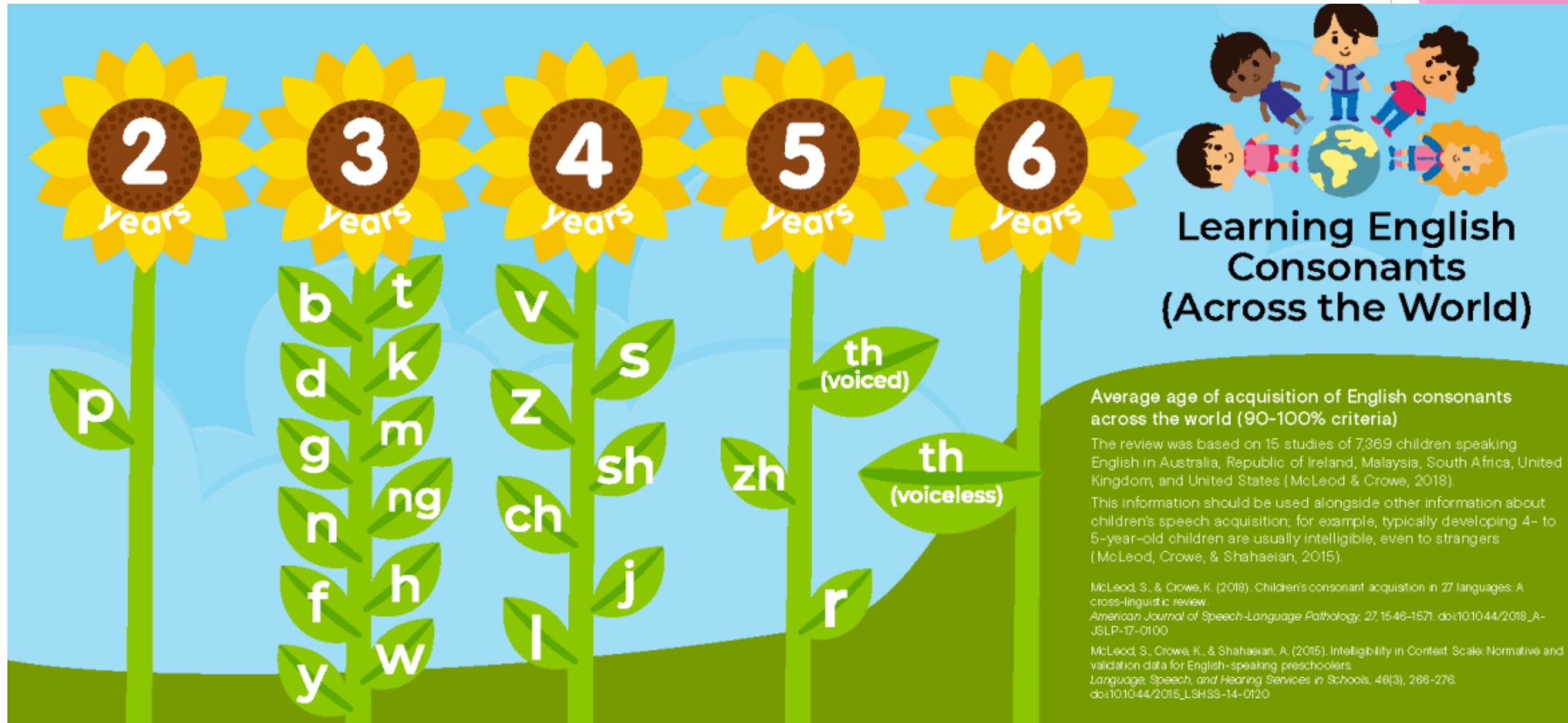
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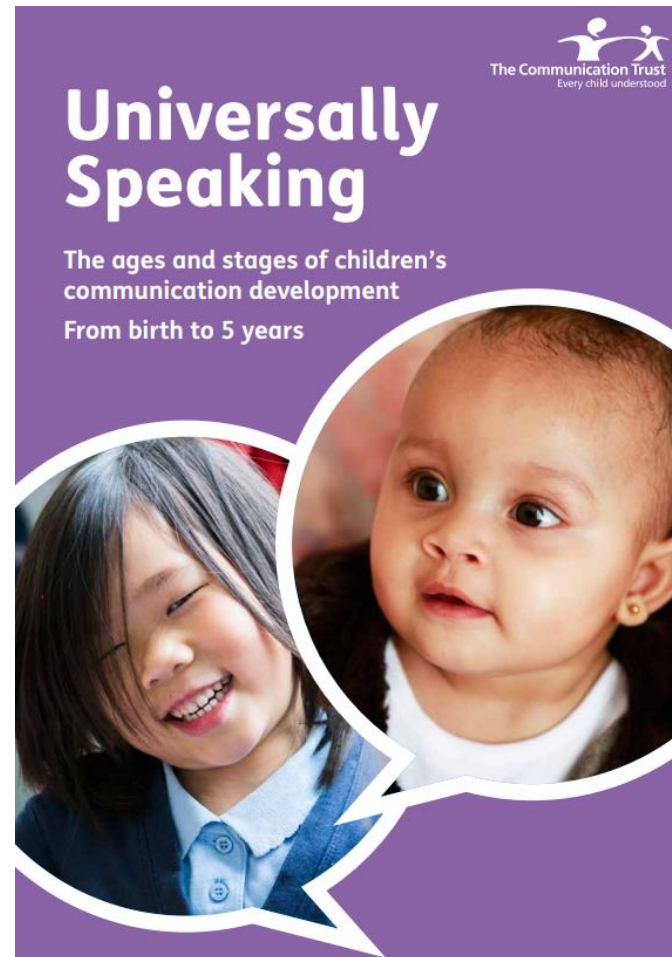
# SALT: How does language develop?



Examples of th voiced - they, this, other, mother, breathe  
Examples of th voiceless - thin, thank, birthday, mouth

# Universally Speaking

- ▶ <https://www.fis.cityoflondon.gov.uk/asset-library/tct-univspeak-0-5.pdf>



# S&L in Early Years

Communication and Language is part of the Early Years curriculum.

EYFS Statutory Educational Programme: The development of children's spoken language underpins all seven areas of learning and development:

1. Communication & Language
2. Personal, Social & Emotional Development
3. Physical Development
4. Literacy
5. Mathematics
6. Understanding of the World
7. Expressive Arts & Design

Children's back-and-forth interactions from an early age form the foundations for language and cognitive development. The number and quality of the conversations they have with adults and peers throughout the day in a language-rich environment is crucial. By commenting on what children are interested in or doing, and echoing back what they say with new vocabulary added, practitioners will build children's language effectively

# S&L in Early Years

In school:

<u>Year Group</u>	To listen carefully and understand	To develop a wide and subject-specific vocabulary	To speak with clarity and confidence	To present stories with structure	To hold conversations and debates
EY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Listen attentively and respond to what they hear with relevant questions, comments and actions when being read to and during whole class discussions and small group interactions.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate.</li> <li>* Participate in small group, class and one-to-one discussions, offering their own ideas, using recently introduced vocabulary;</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Make comments about what they have heard and ask questions to clarify their understanding.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Express their ideas and feelings about their experiences using full sentences, including use of past, present, and future tenses and making use of conjunctions, with modelling and support from their teacher.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Hold conversation when engaged in back-and-forth exchanges with their teacher and peers.</li> </ul>
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Take turns to talk, listening carefully to the contributions of others.</li> <li>• Sift information and focus on the important points.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use subject specific vocabulary to explain and describe.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Speak in a way that is clear and easy to understand.</li> <li>• Speak confidently to a group of peers so that they understand the message of what is being said.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure stories have a setting, plot and a sequence of events.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Take turns to talk, listening carefully to the contributions of others.</li> <li>• Know that different people hold opinions that are different from our own.</li> </ul>

# TINY *Happy* PEOPLE

*Your words build their world*

- ▶ Tiny Happy People (produced by the BBC) is here to help you develop your child's language skills. Explore our simple activities and play ideas and find out about babies and toddlers' amazing early development.
- ▶ Early language development is the one thing that has been shown, time and again, to have the biggest and most positive impact on children's progress across the board and future success. You'll be surprised how doing small things, on a little and often basis, to help develop your child's early language skills, can have such a huge impact.

# The website

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people>

3 main areas are explored in the programme:

▶ Activities

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people/activities/zjh8hbk>

▶ Advice

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people/tips-and-advice>

▶ Science

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people/science-and-facts>

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## Around Tiny Happy People



### Parenting Stories

#### Life as a parent

True stories from real parents on topics ranging from pregnancy to labour, parenthood and more.



### Quizzes

#### Quizzes

Got 5 minutes to yourself? Check out our collection of fun parenting quizzes.



### Watch Full Series

#### A-Z Parenting Series

Watch all of our parenting video series in one place. Perfect for when you're on night feeds!



### Nursery Rhymes

#### Nursery rhymes and songs

Check out our collection of old and new songs and rhymes to sing with your little one.



### Grandparents

#### Grandparents

Activities to try with the grandkids and other advice for grandparents.



### The Baby & Toddler Club

#### Activities and advice from The Baby Club and The Toddler Club

Activities and tips to help your child learn from CBeebies' The Baby Club and The Toddler Club.



### Volunteers & Professionals

#### Resources for professionals and volunteers

Spread the word about Tiny Happy People with our range of social media packs and downloadable resources.



### Cymraeg

#### Plant Bach Hapus

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# Activities for all ages 0-5

Find an activity to try



Pregnancy



0-3 months



3-6 months



6-9 months



9-12 months



12-18 months



18-24 months



2-3 years



3-4 years



4-5 years

# Activity idea:

## ► Nursery rhymes

The BBC have provided a variety of videos, information about what your child will learn from taking part and also lyrics for the rhymes.

### Three Little Speckled Frogs

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Home > Nursery rhymes and songs

Getting down face to face and singing to your baby is great for their language learning.

*Three Little Speckled Frogs* is a fun song to sing with plenty of repetition.

Watch the short video below to pick up the tune and then try it with your baby.



# Activity idea:

## ► Language Development

### Planning adventures with teddy



[Home](#) > [Activities](#) > [3-4 years](#)

Using toys can be a good way to combine your child's love of pretend play with their language development.

Planning and going on an adventure together will help them think beyond the present and start forming more complex sentences.

Join these families as they discover why planning adventures are great for language development...and brilliant fun too!



# Activity idea:

- ▶ Exploring word sounds

## Tools for Talking 4-5 years: Exploring word sounds



[Home](#) > [Tools for Talking](#) > [4-5 years](#)

**As your child approaches the start of primary school, it is a good idea to play games that help with their understandings of word sounds.**

Great ideas for these include exploring rhymes and words that sound the same and different or playing I-Spy, so they can think about the different sounds that start words for the things around them.

Check out the video below for more information.



# The Science:

- ▶ Pre-School development - supporting language development

## Preschool learning and communication

All about how your child's language and understanding of the world around them develops as they reach preschool age. The science behind preschool development and communication.

### The Speech Lab - Investigating language learning



#### 3-4 years: How does talking about the past help language skills?

Dr Saloni Krishnan helps a parent explore the effect that talking about past events has on her child's language skills.

PRESCHOOL DEVELOPMENT











#### 4-5 years: How can rhyming words help children learn?

Dr Saloni Krishnan investigates how rhyming helps children to build their vocabulary.

PRESCHOOL DEVELOPMENT

# Advice:

- ▶ The website has various topics covered to provide advice/guidance on questions you may have.

 <p><b>Parent wellbeing</b></p> <p>All about your mental health as a parent.</p>	 <p><b>Play</b></p> <p>Find everything you need to know about different types of play, and why it's important on this page.</p>	 <p><b>Pregnancy</b></p> <p>Advice and ideas for parents-to-be.</p>	 <p><b>Routines</b></p> <p>Tips for building routines with your child, including sleep and feeding advice.</p>
 <p><b>Screen time</b></p> <p>A collection of tips and advice on how to make the most of screentime with your children.</p>	 <p><b>Seasonal</b></p> <p>Ideas for how to celebrate different festivals and seasons with your child.</p>	 <p><b>Speech, Language &amp; SEND</b></p> <p>A collection of advice and resources for parents of children with special educational needs and disabilities.</p>	 <p><b>Your Healthcare Professionals</b></p> <p>Meet the team who will be with you on your journey to parenthood. Here are some quick video guides to explain who's who.</p>

# Activity ideas / websites:

- ▶ <https://www.education.com/resources/>
- ▶ <https://speechtherapytalk.com/general-language-games/games-for-4-year-olds/>
- ▶ <https://www.cambscommunityservices.nhs.uk/docs/default-source/leaflets---childrens-speech-and-language/0083---activities-to-encourage-early-speech-and-language-development.pdf?sfvrsn=2>
- ▶ <https://blossomeducational.com/blog/19-activity-ideas-for-outstanding-communication-and-language-development-in-eyfs/>
- ▶ <https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people/4-to-5-year-old-child-development-activities>

# Activity ideas:

## ► Orchard resources



Doggy Doggy Woof Woof! Game

£9.50



Fun Food Bingo Game

£12.00



Haunted House Lotto

£6.00



Peter Rabbit™ 4-in-a-Box Puzzles

£10.00



Peter Rabbit™ Heads and Tails Game

£10.00



Peter Rabbit™ Rabbit Race Game

£10.00



Peter Rabbit™ Veg Patch Lotto Game

£12.00



Snowman Snap

£6.00



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please call school. We  
are always here to help.

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