



This Learning Links checklist provides guidance on when to expect your preschool-aged child to meet different speech and language milestones

Intelligibility

## 3-4 Years

Strangers can understand a little to half of what they say

4-5 Years

Strangers can understand a lot of what they say

5+ Years

Strangers can understand most of what they say

Speech Sounds

#### 3-4 Years

Can make the sounds p, b, m, d, n, h, t, k, g, w, ng, f, y,

### 4-5 Years

Can make the sounds I, j, ch, s, v, sh, z

## 5-6 Years

Can make the sounds r, zh, th (voiced) (as in 'there' or 'mother')

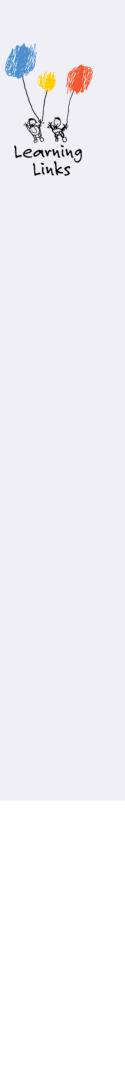
## 6-7 Years

Can make the th (voiceless) sound (as in 'thing' or 'bath')

Follow three-part instructions

Start to recognise some letter-sound relationships

Start to think about the meaning of words





# HOW CAN LEARNING LINKS HELP?

# FREE Speech and Language Screeners\*

If you have concerns about your child's progress with reaching speech and language milestones, Learning Links' speech pathologists can perform a quick, 30-minute speech and language screener to identify whether your child's communication development is on track or if they need additional support in some areas.

# Screening for preschool-aged children

Speech screeners are most suitable for children aged 4 years and older. By this age, children should be able to make most sounds and use language effectively. In some cases, our speech pathologists may offer screeners to children aged from 2 years.

During the screener, your child will complete a few different activities to demonstrate their skills in the identified concern areas.

# On-the-spot feedback

After completing a screener, you will receive immediate feedback about your child's progress. If your child needs additional support, you will be referred for further assessment or a block of speech therapy.

You will also receive a one-page report with specific feedback and recommendations.

\*Free speech and language screeners are subject to availability.

# Book a free screener

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