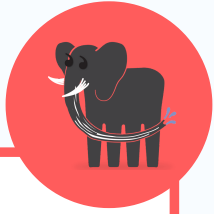




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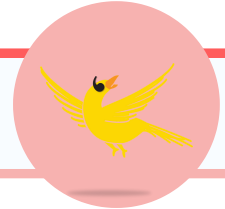
### UNDERSTANDING

- Follows simple 1-step instructions e.g. "Kick the ball"
- Understands simple questions, containing What & Where? Where is the shoe?" "What is it?"
- Points to named objects / pictures e.g. 'dog', 'drink', 'ball', 'leg'
- Answers Yes/ No questions
- Understands concepts 'in', 'on', 'out'



### EXPRESSION

- Says between 10 - 50 words single words
- Copies words and sounds, e.g animal noises
- Combines some 2 word phrases e.g. "Mummy go", "more juice"
- Names some body parts
- Communicates by mixing jargon with real words (e.g. babbling that sounds like real words)

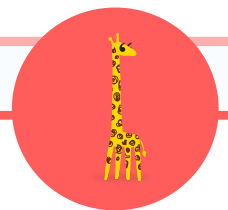


### SPEECH SOUNDS

- Uses the early, front sounds /p, b, m, t, d, n, y/ and is learning the back sounds /k, g/
- Speech is 25-50% intelligible by familiar listeners
- Uses around 6 consonants at the start of words (typically / b, d, m, n, h, w /) (e.g. ball, dog)
- Uses 3 consonants in final position (e.g. bus)

### PLAY & SOCIAL SKILLS

- Uses real objects in pretend play e.g. will brush a dolls hair
- Helps with simple household chores, e.g. sweeping the floor
- Beginning to assert more independence
- May have difficulty sharing. May hit, push, and grab to keep toys
- Shows concern for others



### RED FLAGS

- Lack of communicative gestures (e.g. eye contact, pointing, interaction)
- Does not imitate/ copy words or sounds
- Using less than <10 words
- Doesn't persist in communication
- Limited understanding of words

### DON'T WAIT - LET'S EVALUATE!

- Contact us for a FREE 15 minute chat to determine if further investigation is recommended.

