

Speech Milestones

Accurate production of sounds develop at different ages! Below are the typical ages for sound development and elimination of typical phonological patterns:

Age by which 75% of children used the speech sound listed accurately.	Speech sounds	Phonological Process	Age of Elimination
2 years old	р	Pre-vocalic voicing (e.g. pig = big	3;0
3 years old	h y	Word-final de-voicing (e.g. pig = pick)	3;0
	w ng m	Final consonant deletion (e.g. comb = coe)	3:3
	n k	Fronting (e.g. car = tar, ship = sip)	3;6
	t b g d	Consonant harmony (e.g. mine = mime, kittycat = tittytat)	3;9
4 years old	f l sh ch	Weak syllable deletion (e.g. elephant = efant, potato = tato, television =tevision, banana = nana)	4;0
	j s	Cluster reduction (e.g. spoon = poon)	4;0
	Z V	Gliding of liquids (e.g. run = one, leg = weg, leg = yeg)	5;0
5 years old	r zh (measure) th (this)	Stopping 'f' (e.g. fish = tish)	3;0
6 years old	th (thing)	Stopping 's' (e.g. soap = dope_	3:0
If your child is presenting with errors not described on this page (i.e. atypical error patterns), please contact us for a Speech Pathology assessment		Stopping 'v' (e.g. very = berry)	3;6
		Stopping 'z' (e.g. zoo = doo)	3;6
		Stopping 'sh' (e.g. shop = dop)	4;6
		Stopping 'j' (e.g. jump = dump)	4;6
		Stopping 'ch' (e.g. chair = tare)	4;6

Stopping voiced 'th' (e.g. them = dem) 5;0

Stopping voiceless 'th' (e.g thing = ting)

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