

Speech & Expressive Language Questionnaire for Parents

This questionnaire helps you reflect on your child’s speech development—how clearly they speak, how they use words, and how their communication evolves over time. Please answer based on your child’s typical behavior over the past month.

Section 1: General Information

- Child’s Name: _____
 - Age: _____
 - Date Completed: _____
 - Parent/Guardian Name: _____
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Section 2: Speech Sound Development

Check the box that best describes your child’s ability:

Skill	Not Yet	Emerging	Consistently
Babbles or makes vocal sounds (infants)	☐	☐	☐
Says first words (e.g., “mama,” “ball”)	☐	☐	☐
Combines two words (e.g., “more juice”)	☐	☐	☐
Uses short sentences (3–5 words)	☐	☐	☐
Speaks clearly enough to be understood by family	☐	☐	☐
Speaks clearly enough to be understood by others	☐	☐	☐
Pronounces most sounds correctly for their age	☐	☐	☐
Uses correct grammar (e.g., plurals, past tense)	☐	☐	☐
Asks and answers questions	☐	☐	☐
Tells stories or describes events	☐	☐	☐

Section 3: Communication & Expression

Skill	Not Yet	Emerging	Consistently
Uses gestures (e.g., pointing, waving)	☐	☐	☐
Names familiar objects and people	☐	☐	☐
Expresses wants and needs verbally	☐	☐	☐
Initiates conversations	☐	☐	☐
Maintains a topic during conversation	☐	☐	☐
Uses a variety of vocabulary	☐	☐	☐
Adjusts speech based on listener (e.g., speaks louder in noisy settings)	☐	☐	☐

Section 4: Parent Observations

Please answer the following open-ended questions:

1. What words or phrases does your child use often?

2. Are there any sounds or words your child struggles to say?

3. Do others (outside the family) understand your child's speech?

4. Has your child ever received speech therapy or been evaluated for speech concerns?

5. Do you feel your child's speech is appropriate for their age?