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### SPEECH DEVELOPMENT CHART

The following chart shows the average age that children learn to say their sounds correctly.

2-3 YEARS  'p' in pig	2-3 YEARS  'b' in boat	2-3 YEARS  'm' in monkey	2-3 YEARS  'd' in donut	2-3 YEARS  'n' in nose
2-3 YEARS  'h' in hat	2-3 YEARS  't' in tiger	2-3 YEARS  'k' in car	2-3 YEARS  'g' in goat	2-3 YEARS  'w' in whale
2-3 YEARS  'ng' in ring	2-3 YEARS  'f' in fish	2-3 YEARS  'y' in yawn	4 YEARS  'l' in leaf	4 YEARS  'j' in jellyfish
4 YEARS  'ch' in chicken	4 YEARS  's' in sun	4 YEARS  'v' in vegetable	4 YEARS  'sh' in shell	4 YEARS  'z' in zebra
5 YEARS  'r' in rainbow	5 YEARS  'zh' in treasure	5 YEARS  'th' in feather	6 YEARS  'th' in throne	<b>REFERENCE</b> <small>This chart was developed with reference to the following cross-linguistic review of acquisition of consonant phonemes: McLeod, S., &amp; Criske, K. (2018). Children's consonant acquisition in 27 languages: A cross-linguistic review. <i>American Journal of Speech-Language Pathology</i>, 27(4), 1546-1571.</small>

#### HOW WELL SPEECH IS UNDERSTOOD BY STRANGERS

- 2-year-old speech is understood about 50% of the time.
- 3-year-old speech is understood about 75% of the time.
- 4-year-old speech is understood about 95-100% of the time.
- 5-year-old speech is understood about 100% of the time.



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