

# Speech Sound Development Milestones

Every child develops at their own pace, but this chart shows the ages when most children typically master speech sounds.

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| 2 | p, b, m, n, h, w     | <i>Examples:</i><br>pig, boy, man,<br>neck, hot, wind             |
| 3 | t, d, k, g, ng, f, y | <i>Examples:</i><br>tan, dog, kick,<br>goat, ring, fox,<br>yellow |
| 4 | v, s, z, sh, ch, j   | <i>Examples:</i><br>violin, sock, zoo,<br>shoe, chin, jump        |
| 5 | l, r, voiced th      | <i>Examples:</i><br>luck, race, that                              |
| 6 | voiceless th, zh     | <i>Examples:</i><br>thumb, measure                                |

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