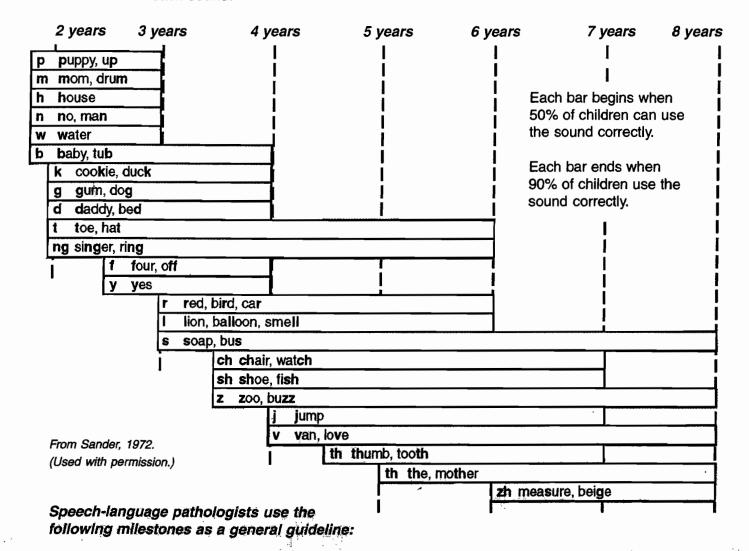


When are Speech Sounds Learned?

Many children make errors when they pronounce words. Most children learn how to say all of the speech sounds correctly by the time they are eight years old. Some sounds are easier to say than other sounds. These are usually the sounds that children learn first. The following table shows the typical age range when children learn each sound.



By age 3 years: p, m, h, n, w By age 4 years: b, k, g, d, f, y By age 6 years: t, ng, r, l

By age 7 years: ch, sh, j, th (thumb) By age 8 years: s, z, v, th (the), zh For ideas on how you can help your child learn speech sounds, call your speechlanguage pathologist.

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