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5 YEAR SPEECH AND LANGUAGE CHECKLIST

Cognitive Skills

- Understands cause and effect, consequences
- States birthday and address
- Stays with one activity for 15-20 minutes
- Uses complicated reasoning
- Demands increasingly detailed explanation until the adult is unable to answer

Pragmatic (Social Language) Skills

- Expresses his/her feelings verbally
- Shows interest in things being funny

Semantic Skills

- Classifies objects by their form, color, use or composition (“You eat with a fork” “A fork is made of metal”)
- Knows concepts “more” and “less”
- Describes person, place or thing using attributes
- Names a time of day associated with an activity
- Recites days of week and names penny, nickel and dime

Phonetic (Sound Production) Skills

- Uses all speech sounds correctly with the possible exception of “r”

Syntactic (Grammar/Syntax) Skills

- Relates fanciful stories
- Answers questions about a story and its plot
- Comprehends all question types including “How many?”
- Comprehends complex questions related to remote events
- Uses a sentence length of six to eight words
- Understands and uses more words than you can count (uses approx 2000, understands 6000, and continues to ask the meaning of new words)
- Uses grammatically correct sentences
- Can use complex verbs such as “could have been” or “will be going”

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