

Using Books in Speech Language Therapy: Promoting Literacy, Targeting Goals and Facilitating Generalization

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What is our role and/or responsibility?

- ASHA Guidelines (2001)
- Katie, Bar the Door!
- "I'll take job descriptions for \$200, Alex"

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*Strategies for supporting emergent literacy:*

- Joint book reading
- Environmental print awareness
- Phonology and phonological processing
- Alphabet/letter knowledge
- Sense of story
- Adult monitoring of literacy experience
- Experiences with writing materials

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#1 Strategy.....

- The single most important activity for building the knowledge required for eventual success in reading is reading aloud to children (Anderson, Hiebert, Scott and Wilkinson, 1985)

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*National Assessment of Adult Literacy*

- Literacy is defined as "using printed and written information to function in society, to achieve one's goals and to develop one's knowledge and potential."

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*Literacy Facts*

- Ratio of books per child is drastically depleted in low income households

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### *First Book Reports...*

- Over 80% of pre-school and after-school programs serving children from low income families have no age appropriate books for their children

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### *Why Learn to read early?*

- Two thirds of students who cannot read proficiently by the end of the 4th grade will end up in jail or on welfare. The fourth grade is the watershed year (Begin to Read)

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### BANDURA & WALTERS

- Social Learning Theory

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### STOKES AND BAER

- An Implicit Theory of Generalization

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### HART AND RISLEY

Meaningful Differences

Incidental Teaching

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### Activities that foster phonological awareness

- Phoneme segmentation - "Bubbles the Bear is looking for things that begin with his sound 'buh'". Can you help him?

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Awareness of rhymes and sound patterns

- Finding the rhyming words
- Making silly rhyming non-words
- Cloze technique

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*Speech  
Sound  
Production  
Books*

Speech sound production Books

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/f/ Books

- Firefighters
- Widget

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/k/Books

- Caps for Sale
- Goodnight Gorilla

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// Books

- Lost
- Herbert the Lion
- Baby Bear Goes to the Zoo
- Little Polar Bear

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- Clark the Toothless Shark
- Bear Shadow
- Baby Bear Goes to the Beach

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## Targeting Pronouns

- Brown Bear, Brown Bear
- The Big Green Pocketbook
- Julius, Baby of the World

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## Developing Inference

- Duck on a Bike
- Six Dinner Sid
- Not Afraid of Dogs

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## Theory of Mind

- Duck on a Bike
- Lily's Purple Plastic Purse
- Odd Velvet
- When Sophie was angry, really really angry
- Not afraid of Dogs

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## B O O K S

- Promote Literacy
- Natural Approach
- Build Generalization
- Great for Theme Sessions
- Novel alternative to worksheets for home programming

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## Finding Books

Borrow Books from the library! This is a great way to try out new books and discover their potential for speech and language goals!

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- Ebay and Amazon offer new and very reasonably priced used books.

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