

## **Development of speech sounds.**



## **Intelligibility**

By 18 months normally 25% intelligible

By 24 months normally 50 -75% intelligible

By 36 months normally 75-100% intelligible

**6 + years** th and r

4-5 years

v, z, sh, ch, j, l

Blends may start to develop
e.g.'sp', 'st','bl', 'cr'

3-4 years

k, g, f and perhaps sh

2.5 - 3 years

w, s, y, h

Typical speech sound errors Missing off the ends Usually heard up of words "ca" for cat until 3 years A long sound (s) is Can be heard up said as a short sound until 3 1/2 years (d) e.g.: "sun" is said as "dun" Sounds made at the Usually heard up back of the mouth (k until 4 years or g) are made at the front (t or d) "cat" is said as "tat", "go" as "do" Normally heard When two sounds are said together (eg: st), up until 4 ½ one is missed out years "star" is said as "tar" When a s or z sounds Can be heard up like a 'th' until permanent front teeth are gained

1.5 - 2 .5 years

Vowel sounds. Limited range of consonant sounds: p, b, t, d, m, n.