

Speech Sound Development

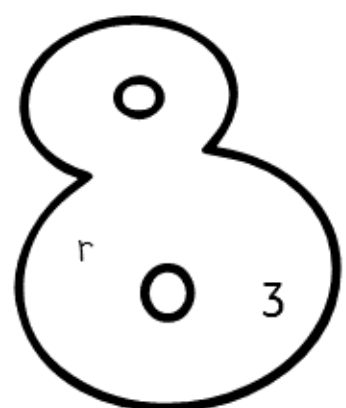
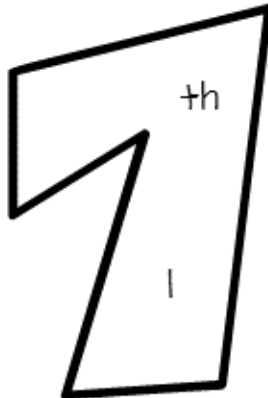
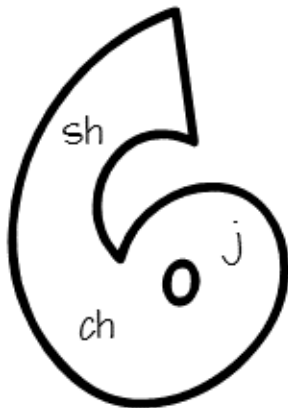
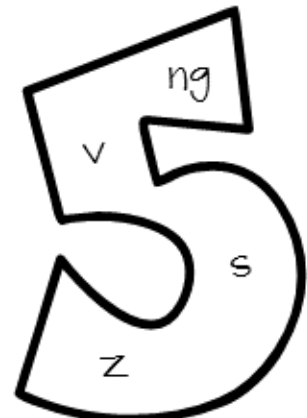
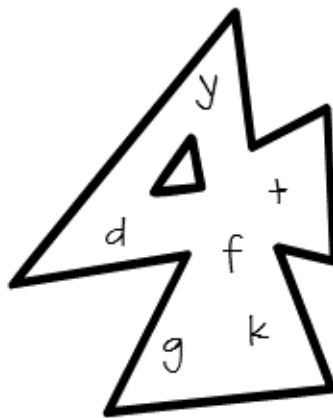
By age 3-0, consistent production of the following sounds can be expected: /h/, /w/, /m/, /n/, /b/, /p/

By age 4-0, consistent production of the following sounds can be expected: /d/, /t/, /g/, /k/, /y/, /f/

By age 6-0, consistent production of the following sounds can be expected: /ng/, /v/, /s/, /sh/, /ch/, /j/
Errors on /th/, /l/, /r/, /z/ may persist until age 8.

By age 8-0 though 9-0, a child can be expected to closely match adult standards for consonant production.

The following numbers represent the average age of when most children master each sound:



Adapted from:

- ◆ Pena-Brooks, A., Hegde, M.N.. (2000). Assessment and Treatment of Articulation & Phonological Disorders in Children.
- ◆ Williamson, G. (2010). English speech sounds: phonemes, allophones and variations in connect speech. [eBook] <http://www.kalgo.com>.

(2014) Created by Nicole Y. Weber, M.S., CCC-Speech Language Pathologist