A Language Processing Disorder: What It Is and How to Treat It

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Agenda for Today

Morning Break: 10:00 (10 minute break after announcements)

Lunch: ~11:45 – 1:00 Wrap Up: ~3:00

Logistics/Technical Questions: to the Program

Manager.

A Few Notes

- · Excited for the day!
- Masks: what you and your table mates are comfortable with or required by the county/state
- Questions: Speak loudly or use note paper from back of book
- Talking with the presenters (Please do :)
- Have fun!!!



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About Me

- 30+ years experience PreK-12th
- Board Certified Specialist Child Language and Language Disorders
- Speciality Areas: speech and language disorders that impact learning
- Author of :







What I Hope to Bring to You Today

"Margo shared practical, ready-to-use strategies to implement right away. Her style of presentation kept my interest!"

"I gained multiple strategies in a short time that I will be implementing tomorrow."

"Margo provided a step by step way to identify and treat language processing issues."

"Margo has true passion for the field."

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Margo's Website Courter Communication

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Learning Outcomes

At the end of this presentation, our goal is that you will be able to:

- 1. Explain what language processing is
- 2. Learn the differences between CAPD and LPD
- 3. Describe specific areas of language processing disorders
- 4. Discuss the application of strategies for academic success

Your Definition

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 Take a minute with a colleague or by yourself and write down your definition of language processing.

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It's More Than the 5 Domains A Language Model Form Morphology, Phonology (naming, & working memeory), Use Content Executive

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LP: a Psychologist Point of View

- "I use this terms not as a diagnosis because as you know, there is no official diagnosis but as a way to explain the concerns I'm seeing. "
- receptive and expressive language are much weaker than IQ would predict, and particularly higher-order, abstract oral comprehension seems to be a problem.
- Oral reading speed usually is problematic
- they seem to have to almost stare at the word before they can say it--not really a phonics issue but a retrieval issue.

The Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children – V (WISC-V) (15)

- A measure of intellectual abilities, produces an overall full scale IQ score and five cognitive domain scores. The full scale IQ (FSIQ) reflects general intellectual functioning. (☆ does not require as much language processing)
 - \(\times \) The Visual Spatial Index (VSI) taps the ability to evaluate visual details
 and understand visual spatial relationships, and it involves visual
 spatial reasoning
 - $-\, \dot{\gamma}$ The Fluid Reasoning Index (FRI) assesses visual conceptual reasoning and involves both inductive reasoning and simultaneous processing.
 - \(\times \) The Processing Speed Index (PSI) assesses visual identification and decision making speed, and it involves visual discrimination and temporary storage.

WISC IV: Task that Require More Language

- The Verbal Comprehension Index (VCI) assesses acquired word knowledge and involves verbal concept formation, verbal reasoning, and verbal expression.
- The Working Memory Index (WMI) taps holding and manipulating visual and auditory information in mind, and it involves concentration and memory.

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Further Information From Dr. Horn

Subtests Comparisons:

Picture Concepts and Similarities:

- 1. both measure abstract reasoning,
- 2. but the former (Picture Concepts) has little language processing and the latter (Similarities) has a lot of language processing.

Further Information From Dr. Horn

Subtests Comparisons:

Vocabulary and Comprehension require more language processing than Similarities.

Third, Matrix Reasoning takes some language processing to understand what to do, so I look at whether they had trouble grasping what to do in the practice items; whereas,

Block Design requires almost no language processing to grasp.

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Least to Most Language Processing

Least Most

block design-matrix reasoning-picture concepts -similarities-vocab -comprehension

Visual task with simple directions

Visual task with complex directions

Definition

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Language processing refers to the linguistic, cognitive, and speech perception abilities needed for understanding and production of language.

Thus, it is how the brain creates and understands

language

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Signs and Symptoms



- · Age commensurate IQ and vocabulary skills with academic deficits
- Often receive a diagnosis of learning disability or specific learning disability



The term 'specific learning disability' means a disorder in 1 or more of the basic psychological processes involved in understanding or in using language, spoken or written, which disorder may manifest itself in the imperfect ability to listen, think, speak, read, write, spell, or do mathematical calculations."

Signs and Symptoms

Receptive

- · Difficulty gaining meaning from spoken language
 - -? Phonemic awareness
 - -? Complex syntax
 - -? Metalinguistic skills
- · Difficulty with higher order language skills.
 - · May have difficulty planning and organizing thoughts, working memory, and sustained attention (executive function)

Signs and symptoms



Expressive

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- Poor written output (written language expression)
- Difficulty expressing thoughts verbally (? retrieval)
- · Naming a general category instead of specific word
- · Quick to say "I don't know"



Signs and symptoms



Receptive/Expressive

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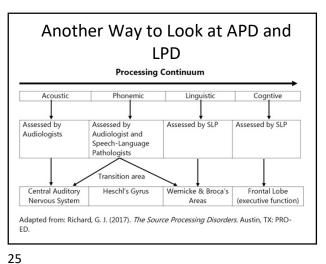
- Difficulty with social pragmatic language (perspective taking, main idea, details, reasoning, figurative language, working memory, processing time)
- · Taking a long time to respond
 - ? Retrieval
 - ? Lag in language processing speed
 - ? Memory
 - ? Attention
- · Difficulty following long or complicated directions
- Feeling lost listening to stories with many events or characters

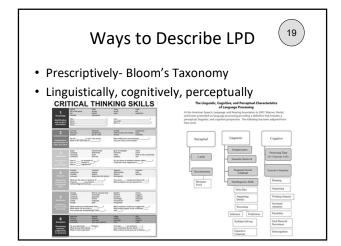
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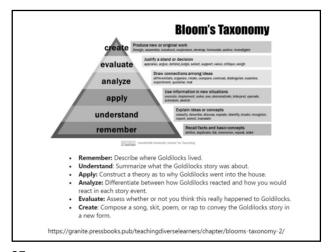
CAPD & LP: Looking at the 2 Terms

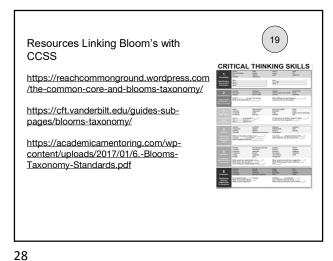
17 Central Auditory Processing Language Processing 18 Meaning is attached to the Deficits in the neural processing auditory signal (begins at Herschl's gyrus, to Wernickes, of auditory information in the central nervous system (nerve angular gyrus then to the tissue that controls the body prefrontal and frontal lobe for brain and spinal column) and is planning, organizing and not due to higher language or cognition Processing information at a rapid May lead to or be associated with difficulties in higher order pace to develop appropriate listening and language skills, higher order cognitive language language, learning, and communication functions and related areas This slide and next one are available on Margo's website under Therapy Materials

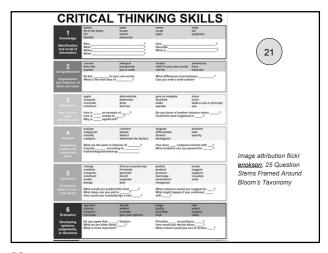
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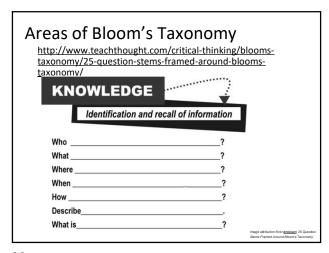






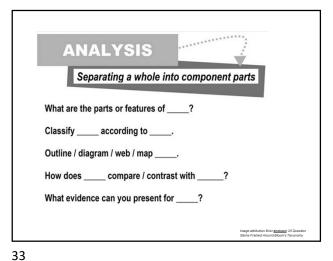


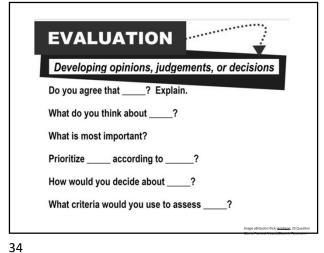


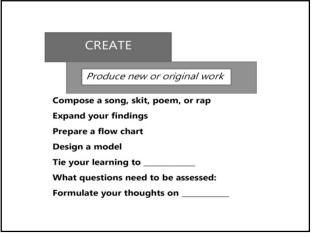


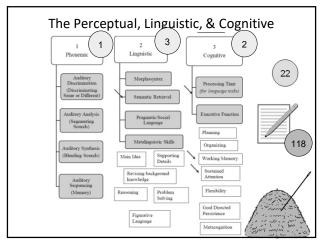
COMPREHENSION Organization and selection of facts and ideas	
Re-tell in your own words.	
What is the main idea of?	
What differences exist between?	
Can you write a brief outline?	
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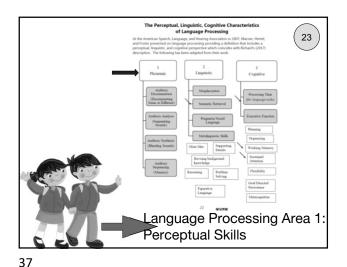
APPLICATION "	
Use of facts, rules, p	principles
How is an example of?	
How is related to?	
Why is significant?	
Do you know of another instance where	e?
Could this have happened in?	







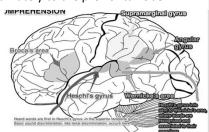




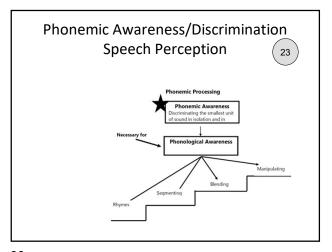
Perceptual Skills: Continuum

Phonemic Processing

 Meaning is attached to the signal from Heschl's gyrus and ultimately to the prefrontal lobe



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Definition:



The ability to recognize differences in phonemes (the smallest unit of sound in a language), including the ability to identify words and sounds that are similar and those that are different.

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The Research

Vowel studies have reported adequate perception of long vowels (i.e. 250 ms) and poor perception of shorter vowels (Frumkin & Rapin, 1980; Tallal & Piercy, 1975; Tallal & Stark, 1981). Although the identification of short vowels (i.e. 40–100 ms) has yielded some variable results, two event-related potential and behavioral studies comparing vowels with durations of 50 and 250 ms (Shafer, Morr, Datta, Kurtzberg, & Schwartz, 2005), confirmed poor identification of phonetically similar vowels regardless of duration, but better discrimination of long vowels.

The Research

For both vowel durations, there was evidence of a late negativity for the children with SLI, indicating discrimination of the speech sounds, but this discrimination occurred in a later time frame than for the children with typical language development (TLD). Similar to Bradlow et al. (1999), only 250 ms vowels yielded robust mismatch negativities in children with SLI (Datta, Shafer, Morr, Kurtzberg, & Schwartz, 2010) demonstrating more typical perception of longer vowels.

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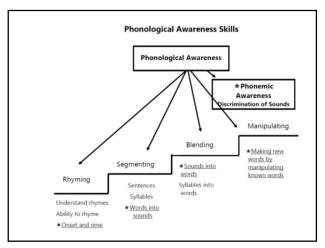
The Research

SLI lies in the integration of information at the interface of language components (Jakubowicz, 2003). Support for this notion comes from a finding that children at risk for SLI exhibit early auditory perceptual deficits with a specific effect on prosody. Later in development, these deficits can no longer be readily detected, but what remains are the varied deficits characteristic of SLI.

★ Phonemic Awareness includes:

- Auditory discrimination (ability to distinguish specific sounds)
- Auditory analysis (segmenting a word into sounds)
- Auditory synthesis (blending sounds together)
- Auditory manipulation (perceiving phonemes correctly in order to distinguish changes in a
- Auditory sequencing (auditory memory in specific order)

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Impact on Early Years (PreK-2nd Grade)

 Following auditory direction in the classroom

· Rhyming, blending, segmenting, manipulating

· Difficulty with spelling novel words

Difficulty sounding out novel words

Impact on Later Years (3rd grade and on)

Following classroom instructions

- Understanding classroom discussions
- Understanding teacher's lectures
- Lasting impact on spelling
- · Lasting impact on reading

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· List of each area of language processing and potential assessment tools

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Assessments for Phonemic Awareness



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- Lindamood Auditory Conceptualization Test 3rd Ed Lindamood and Lindamood, ProEd: 2004
- Phonological Awareness Test 2 Robertson and Salter 2018 ProEd
- Phonological Awareness Skills Test (PAST) Kilpatrick 2018 https://www.thepasttest.com/
- Phonological Awareness Skills Screener (PASS) Mather, Podhajski, Rhein, and Babur, 2001). https://www.seniainternational.org/wpcontent/uploads/2011/02/PASS-directions.pdf
- Profile of Phonological Awareness (PROPA) (app by Smarty Ears)
- Test of Integrated Language and Literacy Skills (TILLS) Phonemic Awareness subtest Nelson, Plante, Helm-Estabrooks, Hotz, Brooke's Publishing, 2016
- TAPS 4 (word discrimination, phoneme deletion and phoneme blending) Martin, Brownell, Hamaguchi, 2018
- Differential Screening Test for Processing Richard & Ferre, 2006 Ages 6;0-12;11 Level One Acoustic Subtests, Level Two Acoustic-Linguistic Subtests, Level Three - Linguistic Subtests

Assessments

☆☆ Must know history or ongoing chronic otitis

- The frequency and characteristics of early vocalizations can be affected by perceptual factors impacted by chronic otitis media (Petinou, et al 1999. Rvachew, et al 1999)
- Look for specific subtests that measure specific phonemic awareness areas
- Most tasks for phonemic discrimination also rely on cognitive tasks (ie: manipulation)



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Cat Kite Chat **Boot** Shoot Hotdog Railroad Visual Phonics program

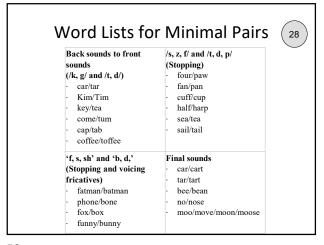
- See It and Say It Visual Phonics

- Visual Phonics program used by your school if it has gestures to go with the sounds 1
 - (www.courtercommunications.com) https://drive.google.com/file/d/10LQw2HX9XHAnWni6u8M 6soYNhIQhn_qv/view?usp=sharing

Other Cues

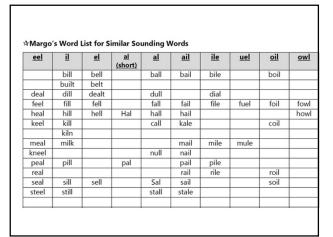
• Pam Marshalla's consonant and vowel program (available on YouTube) https://youtu.be/4te9DY1jTc8 (vowels) https://youtu.be/IBclowP9uds (consonant cues)

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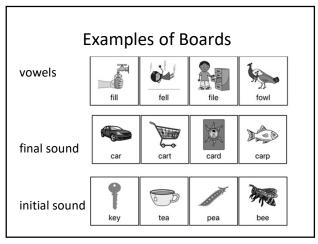
Simplifying blends	Context sensitive voicing
· pay/play	· pea/bee
· goo/glue	· pear/bear
· fat/flat	· tear/deer
· go/grow	· curl/girl
· door/drawer	· fan/van
rich/witchring/wingyapping/lappingfight/white	cart/carnote/nofort/fourshoot/shoe
· tire/wire	· start/star
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Classroom Strategies



- Flexible Preferential Seating:
 - preferred ear (if identified by the audiologist) close to the primary sound source.
 - away from noises such as children who like to talk, open windows, blowing fans, etc.
- FM system

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- Room system to benefit all students



Instruction

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- Reduce distractions (i.e.; Rule that when someone is talking, others are listening)
- Alert student before giving instructions
 - Stand close to the student
 - Tap student on the shoulder or other established cue
- Before giving the instruction, provide purpose



Instruction

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- Repeat the instruction and give ample response time
- Provide examples both visually and in writing (use smart boards, white boards, document camera in order to provide additional information to support the speaking)
- Encourage student to ask for clarifications.
- Check instruction comprehension



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- Classwork and Testing
 - Quiet area for tests and studying
 - Ear plugs for seat work
 - Provided extended test taking time with an adult close by



Class time preparation

- Anytime the student can preview
 - Use videos or websites to preteach information
 - Send home google slides, powerpoints, etc
 - Provide written homework instructions for the
 - Any information that could build background knowledge

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ability to process the language.

The ability to think about language as a

whole instead of its parts will impact the



Cognitive Skills

Language Processing Area 3:

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Cognitive Component Area 1: Lag in **Processing Auditory Information**

Information processing involves multiple cognitive tasks and students may take additional time to process through what was said

Cognitive Component Area 1: Lag in **Processing Auditory Information**

- The child's understanding will likely be better in everyday situations than in situations where there are few or no extra clues to meaning. In such situations, the child may fail to respond, may repeatedly say "Huh?", may simply guess what has been asked, or may even repeat some or all of what was said.
- Taking a long time to respond to a question

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Assessment

I don't know of any measure that assesses language processing speed.

What you will see:

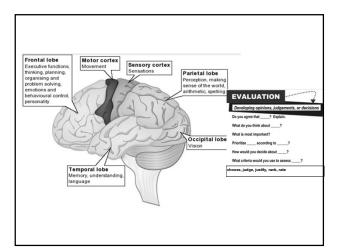
- Student may respond to a prompt with a response that is close and then will continue to talk and finally state the correct response
- Will ask you to slow down while you are talking
- May not answer the prompt when asked but when you move on to the next prompt, the student responds appropriately to the previous prompt
- ? Could try an immediate recall and a delayed recall (after short term memory has been assessed)

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- Create Wait Time (introduced by Mary Budd Rowe, 1972).
- A period of silence that follows a teacher's question and the student's response. When these periods are at least 3-5 seconds, she found
- Decrease of response of "I don't know"
- More volunteered appropriate responses



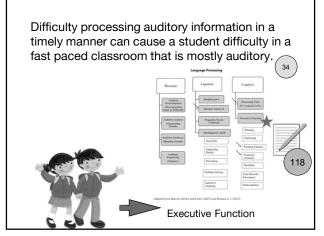
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Ways to Support Language
Processing Time

- Build background knowledge
- Present information in several modalities. Concrete materials, manipulatives, and visual aids will help the student make meaningful connections between concepts and language.
- Divide the instruction into smaller, more manageable chunks.
- Help the child make connections between different concepts by regularly referencing his/her background knowledge.

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Cognitive Component Area 2: Executive Function

High level cognitive functions. Allows us to organize our behavior over time and override immediate demands in favor of longer term goals. Enables us to manage our emotions and monitor our thoughts in order to work efficiently and effectively. Young children require external control for executive function. The goal is for, as the student gets older, the student to be able to internalize what is required to inhibit responses, control impulses, plan, and organize.

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The Research

- 1. Supporting a student develop executive function skills can help children pause and think through the credibility of the information and inhibit the impulse to trust what they are told right away ('Landry, S. H., Miller-Loncar, C. L., Smith, K. E., & Swank, P. R., 2002).
- 2. There is growing evidence that other cognitive functions also are affected in students with specific language impairments (SLI), including executive function skills (Im-Bolter, Johnson, & Pascual-Leone, 2006).

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3. Results showed that parent and self-ratings of EF problems in everyday life were significantly higher for adolescents with SLI than for peers matched for age, sex, and race. Hughes, Turkstra, and Wulfeck (2008)

4. A diversity of disorders in communication ability can be observed in cases of frontal lobe pathology including metalinguistic skill abnormalities, and verbal reasoning impairments. Complex and conceptual verbal abilities may be significantly impaired (Novoa& Ardila, 1987).

5. Contemporary neuroimaging studies have significantly advanced the understanding of the role of the frontal lobe in language. It has become evident that the prefrontal cortex has a monitoring role in language (Ardillo, 2013).

Assessment Tools

- Executive Functions Test Elementary (memory, attention, flexible thinking,
- shifting) Ages: 7-12

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- •Behavior Rating Inventory of Executive Function (BRIEF) By Gerard A. Gioia, PhD, Peter K. Isquith, PhD, et al
- Executive Skills Questionnaire for Students and Executive Skills
- Questionnaire for Parents (in the book, Executive Skills in Children and Adolescents, Dawson and Guare, 2018)
- •TAPS 4 (Word and Sentence Memory)
- •Michigan Memory Test for Unrelated Sentences

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EF from a LP Perspective

Dawson and Guare (2004/2010/2018) provide the following list of executive function skills. These are divided into skills needing for planning and achieving goals and skills needed for guiding behaviors. Many of these skills in both areas are vital for successful language processing. ¶ in this section indicate executive function skills as part of language processing.

36 What are Executive Functions? Guide Behavior Thinking Skills to Plan and **Response Inhibition** Achieve **Emotional Control** Planning Sustained Attention Organization Task Initiation Time Management Flexibility Working Memory Goal Directed Persistence Metacognition Self Monitoring

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Crosswalk EF & LP

Executive Function Area	Language Processing
Planning	Goes hand in hand with organizing thoughts. The ability to gather thoughts into cohesive chunks in order to determine the most important information and respond in an organized manner.
Organizing	Putting thoughts together in a logical sequential manner
Time Management	Determining duration for planning and organizing ideas and duration for speaking

Working Memory

Holding language into memory in order to manipulate information and respond

"The Big Picture" The ability to use background knowledge to apply to a new situation. Being able to then use relational reasoning to modify and enhance background knowledge. The ability to analyze a situation and determine what worked and didn't work. The ability to make modification in the future.

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Sustained Attention	Staying tuned into the listening situation even in overload situations.
Flexibility	Ability to determine that there is more than one way to think about the information, processing multiple solutions before responding. Flexibility leads to great supralinguistic abilities (inferencing, predicting, problem solving)
Goal Directed Persistence	Staying on task even when the language coming in is overwhelming.
Self Monitoring	stay on track when expressing oneself and make communication repairs if they realizes that they are not communicating effectively

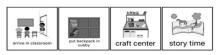
Strategies to Support LP and EF

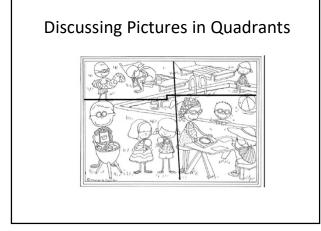
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Ways to Assist with Increasing Executive Function: Pre K-mid 2nd

Use picture system for transitions between activities and rooms in the building or schedule changes







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Follow Directions

Use a quadrant picture to have the student follow auditory directions after discussing the picture in quadrants.

Examples using the above picture

- 1. Find the boy with the floaty. Color his floaty green and read. Color the boy's hair blue. (More complex: Find the boy with the floaty. After you color the floaty green and read, color his hair yellow.)
- 2. Find the empty lounge chair. Draw a boy sitting on the chair with his legs hanging over the side of the chair.

Answering Questions

Use the quadrant picture to process questions. Example using the above picture

- 1. Why can we see the boy's feet in the pool?
- 2. Why are the girls eating ice cream before the adults finish getting lunch ready?
- 3. How come only one child has a floaty?

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Retell a Story

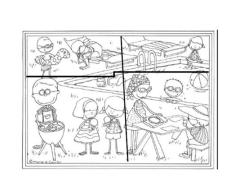
A student must be able to sustain attention to a story, have the working memory to hold onto information about the story, process through the story elements, and then plan and organize thoughts to retell the story.

Steps

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- 1. Begin with a simple book that the student should have some background knowledge about the topic or plot.
- 2. Preview the story.
- 3. Ask the student for any background knowledge they have on the topic.
- 4. Read the story to the student.
- 5. Have the student use the pictures to go back and resequence/retell the story.
- 6. Increase the complexity of the story.

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Mid 2nd Grade through High School

Students make a significant cognitive leap around the mid to end of second grade. This is where students should move from learning to read to reading to learn. Language processing skills should be developing to the point that students can begin thinking critically about information presented and formulating responses that are novel.

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Overall Strategies

- 1. Visual graphic strategies to support planning, organizing, sequencing, working memory, flexibility in thinking, sustained attention, and metacognition skills will be vital for language processing skills.
- 2. Closed ended tasks (choose between 2 projects)
- 3. Web or EET to organize writing or thoughts

- 4. Checklists
- 5. Take into account strengths and weaknesses of EF when forming classroom groups
- 6. Copy teacher's notes/visual presentations
- 7. Teach organizational skills
 - a. binders
 - b. math word problems

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Math Story Problems

The student must figure out the relationship between the sentences/details and determine what information is needed to solve the problem.



Metacognition

- 1. Reteaching
- 2. Extended teaching
- 3. Modeling
- 4. Multimodality
- 5. Peer tutoring
- 6. Use of manipulatives
- 7. Organizers
- 8. Study guides

Working Memory

Working Memory - hold information in mind while performing complex task. Ability to draw on past learning or experiences to apply to a situation at hand or to project into the future

• Working memory relates to an individual's ability to attend to verbally- or visually presented information, to process information in memory, and then to formulate a response. Difficulties with working memory may make the processing of complex information more time-consuming, draining a student's mental energies more quickly and perhaps result in more frequent errors on a variety of tasks.

Memory impairments in childhood can have negative consequences for the development of language, literacy, social skills, personal relationships, and a sense of personal history (Rankin and Hood 2005).

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Characteristics

- · Remembering instructions
- · Conversations and class lecture/discussions
- · Understand multistep directions but forgets first
- Reading comprehension
- Basic word reading
- Math: orally presented steps
- Written expression
- · Oral language

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Oral expression

· Underline, highlight or write down key words Lindamood Visualizing/Verbalizing

· Reading instruction

Directions in multiple formats

Build background knowledge

- Overlearn material
- Teacher prepared handouts prior to class lecture

Strategies

- · Post it notes to write down key information
- Cues for recall (ie: HOMES for the great lakes)
- Prime the memory (preview/review)

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Language processing refers to the integration of perceptual, linguistic and cognitive information at a rapid pace to develop appropriate listening and language skills including higher-order cognitive, language, or related areas. Language Executive Function

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Language Processing Area 1: Perceptual Skills

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Linguistic Component Area 1: MorphoSyntax 44

- Understands single words and has an excellent vocabulary, but has difficulty with the meaning of phrases and sentences
- Lengthy, complex, and abstract sentences are difficult if presented at a normal or fast rate.
- · Difficulty with long complex directions
- Difficulty with listening to stories with many events and/or characters

Evidence



#1 Verb voice and clause structure (dependent and relative- who, that, or which) and clause structure can affect reader performance

- He would have gone had he not had a cold.
- The report that John wrote won an award. (Relative clause)
- If you would have completed your homework, we could have gone outside.
- Before we go outside, we need to finish our assignment.

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#3: Sentence complexity can create comprehension problems for struggling readers.

 comprehension strategies will not work if the student doesn't understand the complexity of the syntax

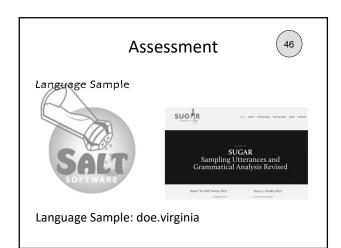


Syntax: ACT & SAT Reports

#4 In 2004-2005, only 51% of students taking the ACT scored at the benchmark (C equivalency) for understanding complex text needed for college readiness. (The clearest differentiator was questions associated with complex text - not critical thinking skills.)

SAT - 2011-2012: 43% reached benchmark

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Standardized Tests
Apps and Software

Squirvel Story

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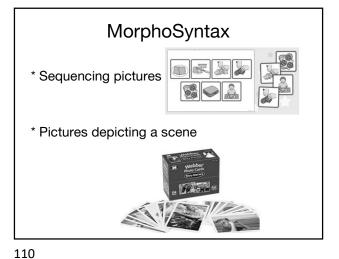
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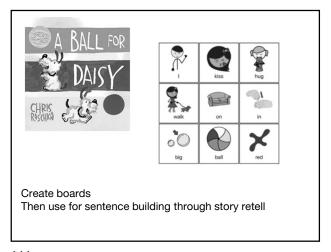
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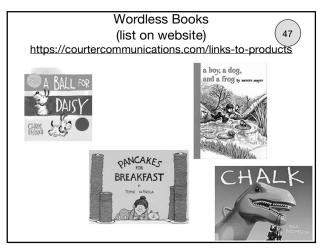
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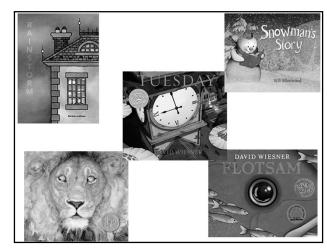


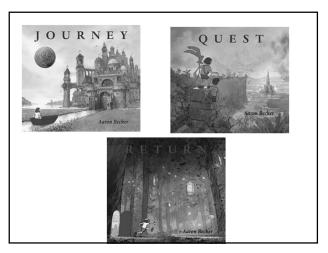


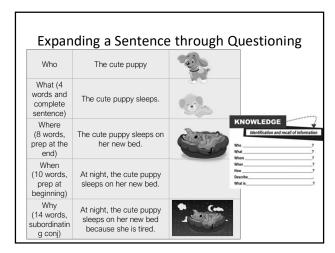


Sentence Story Recall • Use vocabulary boards

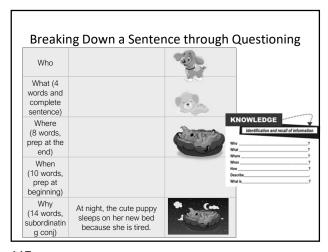


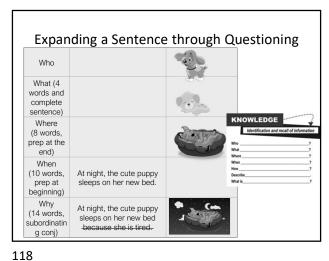




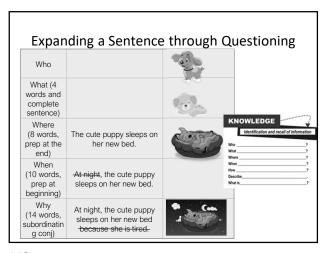


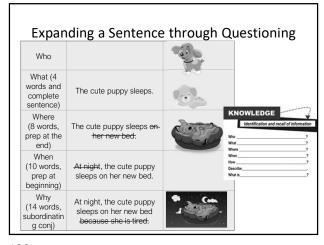
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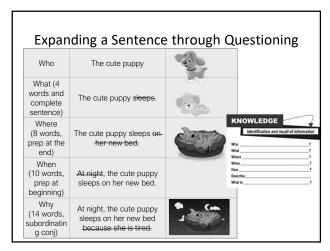


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Reducing Syntax: Highlighting for Skimming and Scanning

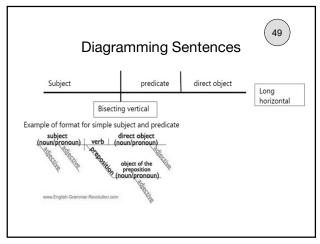
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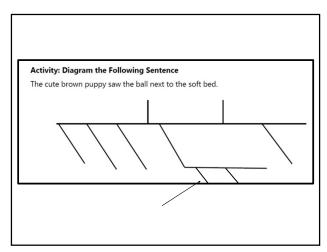
- Key words in directions
- Supporting detail for paragraphs and chapters

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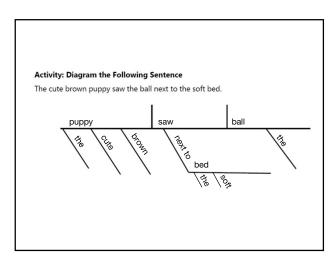
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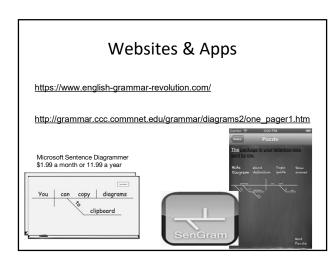
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Sentence Combination

- Websites
 - https://www.superteacherworksheets.com/sentences.html (19.95/year subscription)
 - http://www.k12reader.com/worksheet/sentence-patterns-combining-sentences/
 - http://englishlinx.com/sentences/compound sentences/
 - http://www.softschools.com/language_arts/works heets/combining_sentences_worksheets/

Activity: Elementary Examples from soft school.com

Compound Subjects

Jessica rode the train. Mark rode the train.

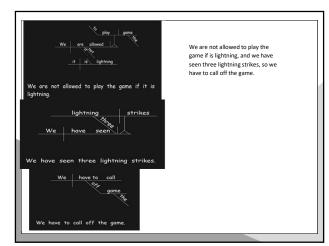
Compound Verbs

Jeff went to the carnival. Jeff rode the roller coaster.

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Sentence Combination We are not allowed to play the game if it is lightning. We have seen three lightning strikes. We have to call off the game. Dolphins live in groups called pods. Dolphins are dedicated to the members of their pod. Dolphins will help each other if the pod is attacked or if one member is hurt. I am involved in several activities after school. I need to be able to get in touch with my parents after school. I need a cell phone.

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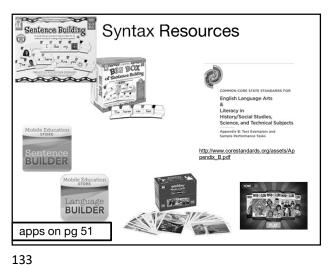


Jumbled Sentences Websites

http://k8schoollessons.com/jumbled-sentences-exercise-1/
https://www.turtlediary.com/worksheet/jumbled-words-to-form-a-sentence.html
http://www.alaskasmallbusiness.com/2ndgrade/sentence.html

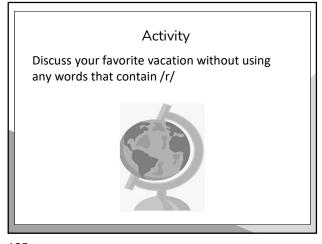
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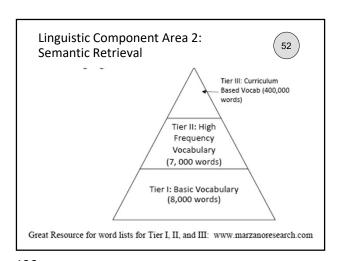
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Verb tense and sentence structure will impact the ability to process syntax Semantic Retrieval

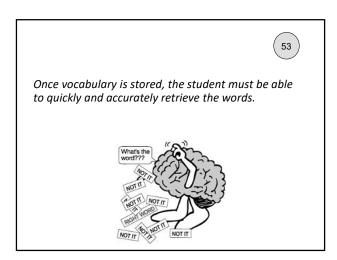
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Level of Intelligence IC	Q Required Exp	osures 53
Significantly Above average	120-129	20
Above average	110-119	30
Average	90-109	35
Slow learner	80-89	40
Mild cognitive impairment	70-79	45
Moderate cog impairment	60-69	55
(Gates	s, 1931; McCor	mick, 1999)



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Semantic retrieval is an expressive language disorder that impacts the retrieval of words in the presence of good comprehension of the words that they are unable to find. The words are stored in long term memory but cannot be quickly retrieved. They appear not to know answers when in reality they know, but are unable to express their knowledge. These students may exhibit problems retrieving specific words in single word retrieval contexts and in discourse - Diane German, Ph.D. www.wordfinding.com

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Semantic Retrieval Error Patterns



- Pattern 1 ("Slip of the Tongue" error): Semantic Frror
- Pattern 2 ("Tip of the Tongue" error): Form Related Block Error. No response
- Pattern 3 ("Twist of the Tongue" error): Form & Segment Phonological Error (Diane German PhD)







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Preschool: Error Patterns

- Phonological (e.g., chicken for kitchen) or
- Semantic (e.g., key for door, car for truck), although indeterminate (e.g., thing),
- Visual misperception (e.g., *lollipop* for *balloon*)
- Perseverative responses (i.e., the same word used to label two different objects within a defined time interval)

(Capone and McGregor, 2005)

How to Assess



Test of Word Finding 3 (PRO-ED) (\$471.00) 4;6-12;11

- Picture Naming-Nouns
- Sentence Completion Naming
- Picture Naming-Verbs
- Picture Naming-Categories
- 5 Informal assessments (phonemic cueing, imitation, substitution, delayed response, secondary characteristics)

On line version also available (\$471.00 for 30 administrations)

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Vocabulary Measures







Vocabulary Measures

- Use the same series of receptive and expressive vocabulary measure (i.e.: EOWPVT and ROWPVT)
- Expressive: score first response
 - Document any revisions
 - Record if longer than 4 seconds
 - Document self corrected or cued
 - Assess for comprehension

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Vocabulary Measures cont.

Word Response

X compass compascope (phonological error)

X fireplace chimney (semantic error)

X tire Response > 4 seconds (block)

Standard Score Comparison	
Receptive Standard Score	94
Expressive Standard Score	43
Difference	51
Statistical Significance	9
Significant	yes
Percent of Sample with this Difference	<1%
"FROM THE EOWPVT 4 MANUAL: "lower performance on the E compared to the ROWPVT 4 could mean that the individual has wo difficulties that affect the extent of his or her speaking vocabulary restent of the individual's hearing vocabulary."	ord retrieval

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Informal Assessment for Young Children

• Turn expressive task into a receptive task



Characteristics of Semantic Retrieval

- Understands the word but may have difficulty quickly retrieving in single word responses and in conversations
- Uses generic language instead of a specific word (e.g. saying "the thing" instead of "the notebook")

Characteristics of Semantic Retrieval

• Taking a long time to respond to a question (?retrieval or processing time)

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- May name a general category instead of a specific word (e.g. saying "food" instead of "cake")
- May use descriptions instead of the intended word (e.g. saying "the yellow thing for writing" instead of "pencil")

Characteristics of Semantic Retrieval

- Being quick to say "I don't know" in response to a question
- Retrieval

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- Has difficulty labeling objects
- Feels that words are "right on the tip of my tongue" (retrieval)
- Can describe an object and draw it, but can't think of the word for it (retrieval)

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IMPACT



Will appear to know information one minute or one day but then appears to forget the information the next.



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Preschool

Impact of a Retrieval Disorder

- Retrieving colors
- · Retrieving shapes
- · Retrieving familiar words



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- · Retrieving alphabet letters
- Retrieving sounds of alphabet letters
- Retrieving high frequency words
- · Retrieval of spelling words during testing although was accurate during practice
- Retrieving math facts (orally and in writing)

α	can	I	go
get	see	me	have
not	did	run	and
my	the	is	to

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- Slower reading fluency (can't quickly recall words when reading)
- Decreased accuracy when reading aloud (uses a familiar word that may begin with the same letter when can't quickly retrieve the word presented)
- Will raise his/her hand to answer a question then will respond, "I don't remember" or "I was going to say what she said."

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- Written language expression that is decreased in complexity and length
- Inaccuracy during spelling tests continues
- Difficulty completing a test in the allotted time
- Better performance on matching, multiple choice and true and false tests.



- Worse performance on tests that require retrieval such as fill in the blank without a word bank and essay questions.
- More accurate reader when reading silently
- Keeping up with note taking during lecture

Preschool Strategies for Retrieval: Colors

- Nursery rhymes, songs, or stories that link colors to meaning and provide picture representation
- I.e.: Baa Baa Black Sheep
- Brown Bear Brown Bear by Bill Martin Jr.
- My Many Colored Days by Dr. Seuss
- Music and Rhyme Station www.preschoolexpressco
- Ten Preschool Songs about Colors www.teachingmama.org





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Preschool Strategies for Retrieval: Familiar Words

- Link a visual representation with the words
 Make a book organized by category, function, or location
- Review/Learn Vocabulary through Categories and Subcategories



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Category, Function, Location Strategies for Word Retrieval Category: classification Function: what it does or what is done with it Composition: what it does or what is done with it Composition: what the item is made out of Components: attached parts Accessory/Necessity: associated objects or items that go with it Size/shape: size, length, width, height, shape or analogies made to size/shape Color the basic colors that it has Gestures: movement of hands or body to describe (O provides the most information to assist a child with word finding) Margo Kinzer Courter, MA, CCC-SUP www.courtercommunications.com 317 696 9984

Preschool Strategies for Retrieval:

Shapes

· Link shapes to objects in the environment and

link with a picture representation

- Window = square or rectangle

- Books of Shapes by Jenny Loveless

- Shapes, Shapes, Shapes by Tana Hoben

· Books about shapes

- Sun = circle

Graphic Organizers continued

Nonlinguistic strategies - a representation of new information that does not rely on language.

(Average gain of 17 percentile points when using a nonlinguistic representation (Haystead & Marzano, 2009).

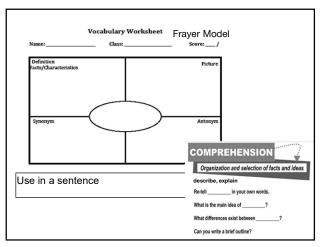
Retrieving Spelling and Vocabulary

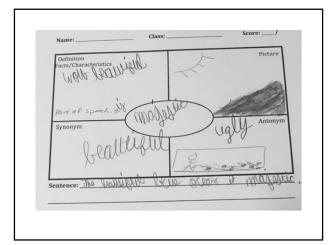
- Make sure the student knows the meaning of spelling and vocabulary words
- Use graphic organizers containing linguistic and nonlinguistic information

Steps:

- 1. Adult provides a user friendly definition
- 2. Student puts it in own words
- 3. Make sure the definition match's
- 4. Student creates nonlinguistic

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Retrieval Strategies based on Error Pattern Error Pattern 1: Semantic Retrieval

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- Dual Focus: Storage and Retrieval
- · Reflect before speaking
- Jot down key words
- Describe using category, function, location

- Error Pattern 2: Tip of My Tongue
 - Same sound cue
 - Multiple choice
 - Prime with a question
 - Extended time
 - Closed options for testing
 - True/False
 - MC
 - Work bank
 - 3 choices for spelling



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Error Pattern 3: Phonological Errors

- Multiple choice
- Rhythm and dividing syllables
- · Tactile or visual cue



Classroom Suggestions:



- Error Pattern 1: Semantic Error
 - Ask students to: Reflect and Rehearse the answer before raising their hands
 - Have student write down a cue word
 - Ask teacher to call on the student as soon as hand is raised



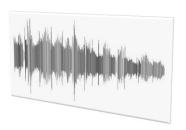


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- Error Pattern 2: Form Related Block Error
 - Provide the student with a phonemic cue
 - Use a multiple choice
- Prime the student with question
- Give the student extended time
- Closed options for tests (T/F, multiple choice, word bank - 3 choices for correct spelling

- Error Pattern 3: Phonological Error
 - Give the student multiple choice
 - Change prosody to stress correct pattern
 - Tactile or visual cue



Additional Strategies: APP

Word Retrieval APP by Virtual Speech

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Additional Strategies: Games



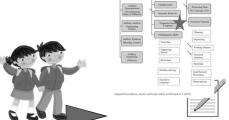
- · Anomia for Kids
- Take turns describing something in the environment by using category, function, location first. Once the student is proficient in providing these cues, then begin to add level 2 and 3 cues
- Zingo (Thinkfun) describe the tile instead of saying the name
- Word on the Street (FFS LLC)
- Educational Insights Blurt (The Jungle Store)
- Hedbanz for Kids (Spin Masters Games)
- Charades for Kids
- Junior Pictionary (Mattel)



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Retrieval can cause significant difficulty for a student to be able to demonstrate knowledge through expressive performance



Pragmatic/Social Language

Linguistic Component Area 3: Pragmatics



START

REPORTS

Pragmatics is the most complex aspect of linguistic functioning, as it requires integration of information across numerous cognitive systems.

Consequently, for intervention to yield effective long-term outcomes, clinicians need to approach pragmatics as an integrative domain combining neurocognitive abilities (i.e., language processing speed, supralinguistic skills (main idea, details, inferencing, predicting, reasoning, world/background knowledge, and executive functioning including planning, organizing, flexibility, attention and working memory) and linguistic knowledge. (Martin & McDonald, 2003).

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Linguistic Component Area 3: Pragmatics



Continuous monitoring of the setting, purpose, and needs of the listener

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Older Stude	ents: Prag	matics/Soci	al Skills	
	Acceptable	Needs Improvement	Critical need for improvement	Nonexistent
☆S Initiates a topic appropriately				
☆S Maintains topic				
ুণ S Identifies details as not the main topic				
☆S Comments on the topic				
পS Transitions to a new topic appropriately				
⇒S Infers from the conversation				
☆S Predicts where the conversation is going				
⇒S E Responds appropriately				
S Takes a listener's perspective				
S Understands/uses jokes				
*YS Understands/uses figurative				

Activity

- ${f 1.}$ Do you have students that are on your caseload or that you know about that struggle with social communication that are not on the spectrum?
- ${\bf 2.} \hbox{How do you incorporate the neurocognitive aspects}$ to address the underlying issues?



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• Main idea (when teacher is talking and while reading)

Characteristics

- Level 1 and level 2 details
- Making inferences
- Making predictions
- Taking listener's perspective (teacher, character and/or author's perspective)

Younger Students: Pragmatics/Social Skills

Needs

Critical need

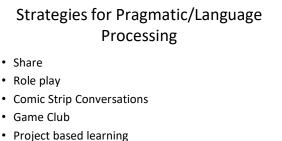
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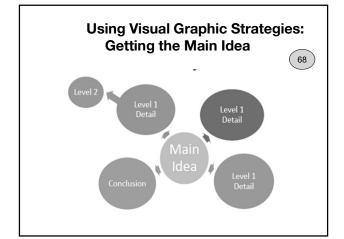
Acceptable

☆E Maintains attention to the speaker

☆S Can make a connection to something that has been said ☆S Understands the main idea of the conversation

☆S Maintains the main idea of the conversation





Pragmatic/Language Processing Goals

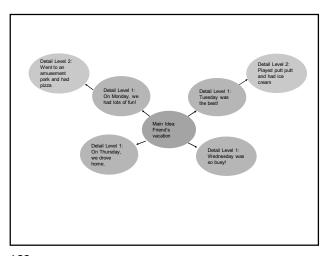
Initiate conversation
 Understanding the main idea
 Understanding
 Understanding important details
 Commenting

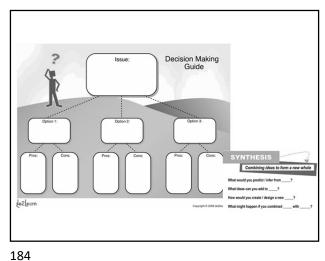
 Making a connection (background knowledge)
 Transitioning topic
 Inferencing/Predictions
 Planning/organizing

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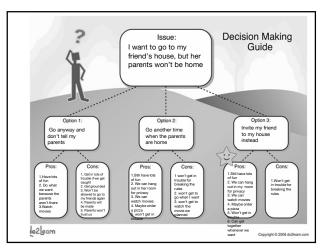
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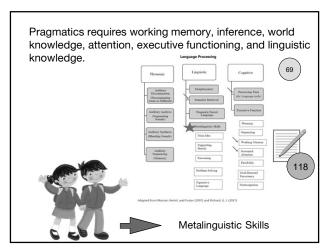
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Linguistic Component Area 4: Metalinguistic Skills



- Difficulty with figurative language
- Difficulty with jokes and riddles
- Feeling lost while listening to stories with many events and characters
- Difficulty joining in conversations
- Difficulty with main idea and supporting details



Linguistic Componet Area 4: Metalinguistic Skills

- Difficulty with reasoning and inferences
- Difficulty problem solving
- Difficulty understanding math story problems
- Difficulty sequencing steps to solve math problems (ie: order of operations)





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Building Background Knowledge



"The most straightforward way to enhance students' academic background knowledge is to provide academically enriching experiences" Marzano, 2004).

"What students already know about the content is one of the strongest indicators of how well they will learn new information relative to the content" (2004, p. 1).



Building Background Knowledge



Cossett Lent (2012) states the following example, "I remember one autumn day when we were reading Of Mice and Men (Steinbeck, 2002), and I lead my high school students outside so they could walk across the fallen leaves and listen to how they crunched under their feet in just 1 Steinbeck described."

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Acquisition of Background Knowledge



- 1. A student's ability to process and store information leads to acquiring background knowledge.
- 2. The number and frequency of our academically oriented experience will increase background knowledge
- 3. Students' information-processing abilities + access to academically oriented experiences = academic background knowledge.

Accessing Background Knowledge



- Always base new information on what the student should already know
- Preteach/prelearn information. This will increase overall comprehension when the information is presented in class

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Direct Approaches to Enhance Academic Background Knowledge

Academically out of class experiences

- Field trips (museums, art galleries, outdoor labs, etc)
- Petting zoo into the school
- Plays/performances
- Mentoring relationships with community members (structured format)



Indirect Approaches

 Design field trip/outdoor activities within the school



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Building Background Knowledge Virtually

- 1. Textbooks often include lists of websites of supplemental material such as film clips, music, or photographs.
- 2. Digital textbooks have links that will take students all over the world instantly.
- 3. Virtual Fieldtrips (as mentioned above

https://www.today.com/parents/try-thesevirtual-field-trips-educational-fun-homet176105

https://freedomhomeschooling.com/virtual-field-trips/ (free)

https://kidsactivitiesblog.com/135714/virtual-field-trips/

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Indirect continued

Direct vocabulary instruction for academic vocabulary.

- Linguistic own definition
- · Nonlinguistic -
- picture (mental then drawn)
- physical (see, smell, touch, hear, taste)
- Video, act it out, hear it

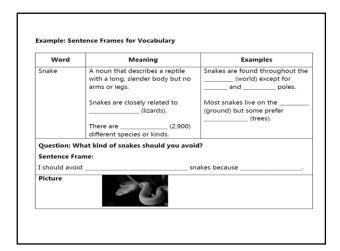


Sentence Frames for Vocabulary

Word Meaning Example

Sentence Frame

Picture



Relational Reasoning



Ability to revise stored background knowledge and misconceptions based on new information.

Ability to perceive similarities and differences in new information and the ability to extract meaningful patterns.

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Knowledge Revision

There are three conditions necessary for knowledge revision: coactivation, integration, and coherence (Dumas, Alexander, and Grossnickle, 2013).

Four Relational Constructs in Knowledge Revision

Dumas, Alexander, and Grossnickle (2013) identify four constructs necessary for relational reasoning.

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Four Relational Reasoning Constructs for Knowledge Revision

- Analogical Reasoning similarities/compare
- Antithetical Reasoning differences/contrasts
- Anomalous Reasoning unexpected or abnormal occurrence
- Antinomous Reasoning what it is not

Analogical Reasoning
Identify similarities in information, ideas, concepts or events

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Analogical Reasoning: Therapy Strategies

Target similes and metaphors

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- Find similes and/or metaphors that compare something the student knows to something the student may not know,
- Use literature, song lyrics, and slogans
 - Chevrolet: Built Like A Rock
 - Doritos: Tastes Like Awesome Feels
 - State Farm: Like A Good Neighbor

ie: Would you rather have a Chevrolet or a Honda Chevrolet: Built Like a Rock Honda: The Power of Dreams

Analogical Reasoning: Therapy Strategies

- Use familiar topics to build new information.
- Student use Mine Craft to learn about sustainable energy
- Student uses Mine Craft to build a colonial village



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Antithetical Reasoning

Identify contrasting positions. "Myside" bias often comes into play



Justifying a Position Examples

- Fast food containers hurt the environment.
- Plastic straws are harmful to the environment..

Antithetical Reasoning: Therapy Strategies

• Dogs are better pets than cats.

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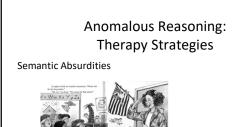
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Anomalous Reasoning

identify an unexpected or abnormal occurrence that departs from an established pattern (Schulz, Goodman, Tenenbaum, and Jenkins, 2008).

By flying a kite, what did Edison discover?
(It was not Edison but Franklin)

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Don't be Silly, Ms. Millie (Cox, 2013)

Antinomous Reasoning

Identify what something is by identifying what it is not



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Overall Strategies for Activating Relational Reasoning

Knowledge Revision During Reading

- Coactivation detect what they know and new information
- Integration Determine relational reasoning analogous, antithetical, anomalous, or antinomous
- Coherence Find similarities, differences, or to compare and contrast the new information to what the student knows

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Making Inferences

Each day, before Renee goes to work, she puts on her brown uniform and sturdy work boots. She has to get to work early because a lot of creatures, big and small, are counting on her for their breakfast. Later in the day, she will make sure their habitats are clean. Sometimes she gets dirty at work, but she enjoys seeing all the people who come to visit. Where does Renee work? How do you know?

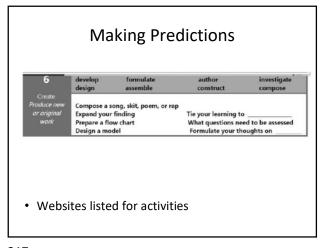
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New York Times example

Sept 18, 2015



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Making Predictions

Read each story event, and predict what happened next.

Zack and Andy were building a spaceship from a kit Zack got for his birthday. There were lots of small pieces spread out all over the table. "That's a lot of pieces!" Andy said.

Zack unfolded the paper that had the directions. It had pictures to show howo put the spaceship together, step by step. He showed the paper to

"Look," said Zack. "It starts with four of these long thin pieces.

What probably happened next?

Example from k5 learning

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Games for Reasoning Skills

Online

•https://www.emergingedtech.com/2016/06/10-technologytools-resources-teach-critical-thinking-skills/

Board Games

• https://www.understood.org/en/school-learning/learningat-home/games-skillbuilders/6-great-board-games-to-boostcritical-thinking-in-teens-and-tweens

Additional Strategies

· Using Figurative Language

- Idioms -

Having a meaning that cannot be derived from the meanings of its elements

Get a kick out of - Enjoy Read between the lines - Find the hidden Give it a shot - Try Speak your mind - Say what you really meaning Have mixed feelings - Unsure how you A piece of cake - Very easy Slipped my mind - I forgot Slipped my mind - I forgot
Cross your fingers - For good luck
Be in hot water - Be in trouble
It cost an arm and a leg - It was expensive
It's in the bag - It's a certainty
Get cold feet - Be nervous
A rip off - Too expensive
A basket case - A crazy person
http://examples.yourdictionary.com/simile-Draw a blank - Can't remember Have a change of heart - Changed your mind Be second to none - Be the best

Get your act together - Behave properly Play it by ear - Improvise Have second thoughts - Have doubts

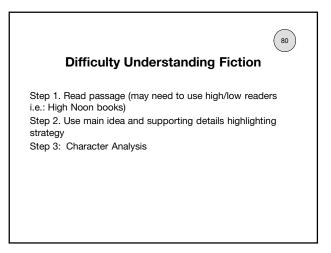
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- · Jokes/Riddles
- Brain Teasers and Puzzles

Visual Strategies Highlighting Strategy for Main Idea and Details Highlight the main idea in one color. 80 Highlight supporting details in another color Rosa Parks was born February 4, 1913 in Tuskegee, Alabama. She spent her childhood in Alabama. When she was 11, she emolled in the Montgomery Industrial School for Girls. Later she worked as a seamstress in Montgomery. Rosa Parks has been called the "mother of the civil rights movement" and one of the most important citizens of the 20th century. In the early 1950s, the bas system in Montgomery, as in many parts of the Linded States, was segregated. Blacks were required to board the bus at the front, buy their tickets, and then re-board the bus in the back. Sometimes, they weren't able to get on the bus again before it drove away. They were not allowed to sit in the front of the bas, which sometimes made it difficult to get off at the right stop. Even if they were sitting in the "black section", they were still required to give their seats up to white passengers if the "white section" was full. In Becember of 1955, Rosa Parks refused to give up her sent on a city bus to a white passenger; The bus driver had her arrested. She was fried and convicted of violating a local ordinance

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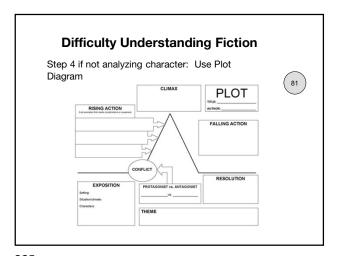
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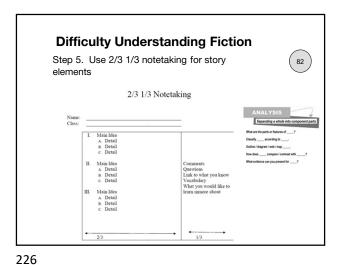
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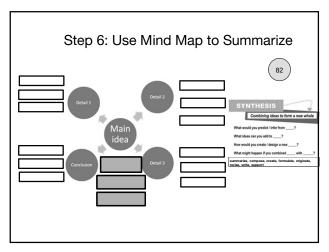
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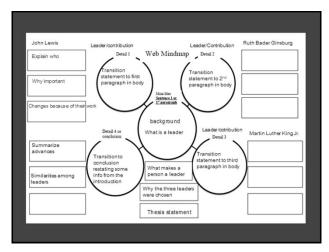
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Difficulty Understanding Nonfiction

Step 1. Read an ability appropriate passage (www newsela.com)

Step 2. Use main idea and supporting detail highlighting strategy

Step 3. Fact or Opinion - Does the student try to pull in background knowledge as fact?

Difficulty Understanding Nonfiction Step 4. Provide mindmap with important areas outlined Figure of feet birectores in informational Tests Test Birectore Test Birectore

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Bringing the Pieces Together: Keep in Mind

- · Simplify language
- Post its or laminate (help card)
- Tune into figurative language
- Self advocacy
- Visualization strategies
- Summarize for reading comprehension
- Break down larger assignments
- Multisensory approach
- Allow extra time

Overall Classroom Strategies for Language Processing

- Make tasks explicit
- Preview and Review Constantly -Preview, review, and summarize all new and previous lessons including vocabulary words and concepts.
- •Relate new material to previous lessons and experiences.
- Preassigned reading, homework, videos, or online
- short preview, outline, vocabulary, key points
- •Main idea on the board
- Avoid multiple choice that requires complex analysis of language
- Choices on how to complete assignments

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Classroom Strategies

- Connect to individual interests and background knowledge
- •Scaffold concepts and tasks to support metacognitive skills
- Use visualization techniques to enhance listening and comprehension
- Use of graphic organizers or graphic organizer apps for note taking from lectures or books

Classroom Strategies Use story starters for creative writing assignments Practice story mapping

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Classroom Strategies

- Draw out details with questions and visualization strategies
- Don't overuse words. You can shorten sentences by eliminating non-essential words and phrases, as well as limiting double negatives. (See highlighting strategy in presentation: Highly Effective Visual Graphic Strategies)
- Encourage and help the child summarize what he or she is reading and also to write it down for better understanding and retention
- Break down larger reading assignments into small sections; highlight the most important part of a reading assignment.

Classroom Strategies

- Use pictures, videos, computer generated models, helps students with LPD use their visual reasoning skills in order to understand the material and to express their own understanding
- Allow students to use visual models and projects as instead of written assignments or spoken presentations if possible
- It is very helpful to allow students to use multisensory materials and approaches
- Avoid using multiple choice items that require complex analysis of language; instead, focus only on the essential details and facts required to master the subject matter

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Classroom Strategies

- Allow students extra time to listen, think, process and form their own thoughts about the written and/or spoken material in the classroom
- Students may need to get extra clarification from the teacher so allow them to discuss assignments with the teach and also with other students if necessary

Linking to Standards: Key Words

- Syntax (report, engage, retell, explain, describe)
- Semantic Retrieval (acquire, use, retell)
- Social Pragmatic (adapt speech to situation or listener, ask, answer, collaborate, engage effectively, theme, details)
- Metalinguistic (explain, determine, clarify, compare/contrast, analyze)

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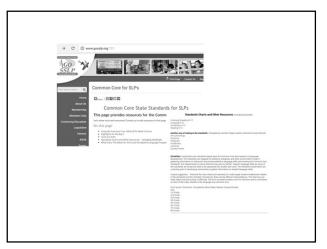
Key Words

- Processing Time (participate in, engage effectively, collaborate)
- Organization (retell, summarize)
- Time Management (introduce, support with evidence, conclusion. Any projects with multiple steps)
- Working Memory (engage effectively, ask/answer, support)
- Metacognition (summarize, analyze, delineate)

Key Words

- Sustained Attention (engage effectively, participate, ask/answer, collaborate)
- Task Initiation (collaborate, participate, introduce)
- Discrimination (understanding of sounds (phonemes, spelling/sound correspondence)

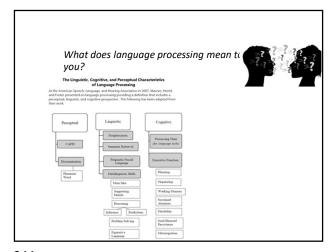




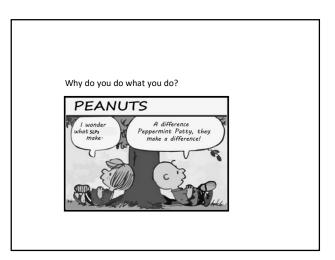
For You:
Appendix A: Test Battery
Appendix B: Language Processing
Evaluation Example

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Final Thoughts

When we look beyond the form,
content, and use of language, we may
find a language processing disorder that
impacts our students' ability to
communicate and participate fully.

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