

Language Functions & Early Generative Language Production

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Top Words Used by Toddlers

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| 1. a | 9. it | 17. some |
| 2. all done/finished | 10. mine | 18. that |
| 3. go | 11. more | 19. the |
| 4. help | 12. my | 20. want |
| 5. here | 13. no | 21. what |
| 6. I | 14. off | 22. yes/yeah |
| 7. in | 15. on | 23. you |
| 8. is | 16. out | |

CLINICAL APPLICATION

First 8 Words:

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| 1. all done | 5. more |
| 2. help | 6. stop |
| 3. want | 7. that |
| 4. mine | 8. what |

First 15 Words:

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| 1. all done | 6. I | 11. stop |
| 2. away | 7. it | 12. that |
| 3. go | 8. like | 13. want |
| 4. help | 9. mine | 14. what |
| 5. here | 10. more | 15. you |

First 30 Words:

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| 1. again | 15. little | 29. what |
| 2. all done | 16. mine | 30. you |
| 3. away | 17. more | |
| 4. big | 18. my | |
| 5. do | 19. off | |
| 6. down | 20. on | |
| 7. get | 21. out | |
| 8. go | 22. put | |
| 9. help | 23. some | |
| 10. here | 24. stop | |
| 11. I | 25. that | |
| 12. in | 26. there | |
| 13. it | 27. up | |
| 14. like | 28. want | |

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First 50 Words

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|-------------|------------|----------|-----------|
| 1. again | 14. get | 27. mine | 40. stop |
| 2. all | 15. go | 28. more | 41. tell |
| 3. all done | 16. good | 29. my | 42. that |
| 4. away | 17. happy | 30. not | 43. there |
| 5. bad | 18. help | 31. now | 44. turn |
| 6. big | 19. here | 32. off | 45. up |
| 7. come | 20. I | 33. on | 46. want |
| 8. do | 21. in | 34. out | 47. what |
| 9. don't | 22. it | 35. play | 48. where |
| 10. down | 23. like | 36. put | 49. who |
| 11. drink | 24. little | 37. read | 50. why |
| 12. eat | 25. make | 38. sad | 51. you |
| 13. feel | 26. me | 39. some | |

Adding to the Top 50

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| 1. +ed | 26. have | 51. one | 76. they |
| 2. +ing | 27. he | 52. other | 77. think |
| 3. +s | 28. hear | 53. over | 78. thirsty |
| 4. after | 29. hi | 54. place | 79. those |
| 5. almost | 30. hot | 55. please | 80. time |
| 6. another | 31. how | 56. pretty | 81. tired |
| 7. any | 32. hungry | 57. problem | 82. together |
| 8. ask | 33. idea | 58. ready | 83. try |
| 9. be | 34. is | 59. ride | 84. under |
| 10. before | 35. job | 60. same | 85. very |
| 11. body | 36. know | 61. say | 86. walk |
| 12. can | 37. later | 62. she | 87. way |
| 13. cold | 38. leave | 63. sick | 88. we |
| 14. color | 39. let | 64. silly | 89. when |
| 15. did | 40. listen | 65. sing | 90. win |
| 16. different | 41. live | 66. sit | 91. with |
| 17. dress | 42. lose | 67. sleep | 92. work |
| 18. fall | 43. love | 68. slow | 93. write |
| 19. fast | 44. maybe | 69. sorry | 94. wrong |
| 20. favorite | 45. much | 70. start | 95. your |
| 21. for | 46. myself | 71. surprise | 96. |
| 22. fun | 47. name | 72. swim | 97. |
| 23. give | 48. need | 73. take | 98. |
| 24. goodbye | 49. nice | 74. thank you | 99. |
| 25. guess | 50. of | 75. these | 100. |

Adding Words to Get to 300+ Core Words

1. Add all the pronouns.
2. Add more adjectives and adverbs
3. Expand verbs, with tense variation