Normal Language Acquisition & Children using AAC Systems

When Talking with Mostly One Word

Functions	Form
Greet	hi, hello, names of people
Part	bye bye, goodbye
Request Assistance	help, do
Recurrence	more, another, again
Naming-Labeling	toy, drink, (names of things)
Existence	this, that, there, look, see
Nonexistence	no, away, gone
Disappearance	away, all gone, gone
Rejection	no, stop
Cessation	stop, different
Comments	like, dirty, big, naughty (other adjectives)
Vocatives	mama, dada, baby
Directive	go, help, stop, different
Associative	big, hot, pretty, up

When Starting to Put Together Two or Three Words

Functions	Form (vocabulary examples)
Greet	hi + person, hello + person
Part	bye bye + person
Request Object or Action	(want, get, find) + substantive word, want that, get more
Request Information	why, what's that, where go, what doing
Request Assistance	(help) + another word
Recurrence	(more, another) + substantive word, do again
Existence	(this, a, the, that, it, there) + substantive word
Nonexistence	(no, away, all gone) + substantive word
Disappearance	(no, away, all gone) + substantive word
Rejection	no + substantive word
Cessation	no + substantive word, different + thing
Comment	like that, that mine, you funny
Directive	get that, help me, stop it, do different
Associative	(big, hot, pretty) + substantive word
Agent-Action	daddy hit, me read
Action-Object	get that, read it, get some, want one,
Agent-Object	mommy book, me that
Possessive	mommy book, my book, that mine
Locative	that thing, go store, on chair, get up
Attributive	big one, red thing
Experiencer-State	me read, me love, me want
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