

## Fremantle Speech Pathology Services Learn How Words Work

## 7 Year Old Checklist

A 7 year old child should be able to hold an extended conversation, follow complex instructions and be understood by unfamiliar listeners.

When to be concerned? You may wish to consider a referral if you know a child who...

- IS STUTTERING
- IS HAVING DIFFICULTY WITH ANY SOUNDS IN HIS OR HER SPEECH
- IS NOT USING LANGUAGE TO GIVE INFORMATION, HAVE CONVERSATIONS, ENTERTAIN AND PERSUADE
- OVER USES NON-SPECIFIC LANGUAGE LIKE 'THING, STUFF, THAT'
- STILL MAKES GRAMMATICAL ERRORS
- DROPS 'LITTLE WORDS' LIKE 'HAS, IS, THE'
- IS HAVING DIFFICULTY IDENTIFYING AND SOLVING PROBLEMS APPROPRIATELY
- IS NOT ENGAGING IN APPROPRIATE SOCIAL INTERACTIONS WITH OTHER
  CHILDREN
- IS BEHIND IN HIS OR HER READING ABILITY
- HAS TROUBLE SPELLING
- IS HAVING DIFFICULTY WRITING
- HAS TROUBLE WITH READING COMPREHENSION TASKS
- HAS TROUBLE WITH AUDITORY COMPREHENSION TASKS