

Is My Child Not Talking?

A Parent's First Guide to Speech Delay

*Every parent waits
to hear their child's
first words...*

*What if those words
are delayed?*



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Are You Feeling This?

- My child is not speaking like others

- People say "wait" but I feel worried

- He doesn't respond when I call

- I don't know if this is normal

You are not alone.
Many parents feel this.



What Is Normal Speech Development?

1 Year

Simple Words

18 Months

5-20 Words

2 Years

2-Word Phrases

3 Years

< Short Sentences

If your child is not reaching these observe closely.

Warning Signs You Should **NOT** Ignore

- ✓ No words by 18 months
- ✓ Not responding to name
- ✓ Poor eye contact
- ✓ No pointing or waving
- ✓ Seems in their own world

Early action can change your child's future.

Why Does Speech Delay Happen?



**Too Much
Screen Time**



**Lack of
Interaction**



**Hearing
Problems**



**Developmental
Issues**



Proper assessment is key.

Start Helping Your Child Today

- ✓ Talk & play together
- ✓ Use simple words
- ✓ Read picture books
- ✓ Encourage eye contact
- ✓ Reduce screen time
- ✓ Play interactive games

Small steps make a big difference!

When to Consult a Specialist?

- ✓ No words by 18 months
- ✓ Not understanding instructions
- ✓ No response to name
- ✓ Worried about your child's progress?





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