

Receptive Language Milestones

Activity	Approximate age
Understands few words	11 months
Points to one named body part on request	1 year
Stops activity to name	1 year
Stops activity to “no”	1 year
Points to familiar persons, animals, toys on request	15 months
Follows one step simple commands	15 months
Points to three named body parts on request	17 months
Follows two step command	20 months
Points to 5 or 6 pictures of common objects on request	21 months
Points to 5 body parts on self or doll	22 months
Follows three step command given in one long utterance	2 years
Understands 200-400 words	2 years
Understands 800 words	3 years
Verbalizes past experiences	3 years
Points to big, little, soft, loud	3 years
Follows commands with 2-3 actions	4 years
Understands approximately 1500 words	4 years