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NOTES ON LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT

AGE

1. TALKING (0-3)

- babble/sounds
- words
- phrases/questions
- sentences
- conversation

2. ABSTRACTION OF LETTERS (2-4)

- hear alphabet
- say alphabet
- recognize alphabet
- learn sounds of letters
- connect letters to words
- spell names
- spell objects

3. WRITING (3-6)

- shapes of letters
- small vs capital
- print letters
- print words
- size, spacing of letters
- forwards not backwards (letters themselves)
- left to right (spelling of words)
- sentences and punctuation

4. READING (4-7)

- combine letter recognition with sounds of letters
- multiple sounds for same letter
- combinations of letters/blends
- read for context
- use of pictures
- sound out new words
- read sentences
- read books

