

Is My Child A “Late Talker?”

	Age	Number of Words
York Region Preschool Speech & Language Program	18 – 20 months	Fewer than 20 words
	21 – 24 months	Fewer than 40 words
	24 – 30 months	Fewer than 100 words and/or no two- word phrases
Tri-Regional Infant Hearing Program	Other Areas of development	
	All within normal limits	Comprehension (see below) Play Social Motor Cognitive
Tri-Regional Blind-Low Vision Early Intervention Program	Risk Factors	What to do?
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quiet as a baby • Family history of communication delay, learning, or academic difficulties • History of ear infections • Limited number of consonant sounds • Does not link pretend ideas and actions together while playing • Mild comprehension delay • Limited use of gestures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get a speech and language assessment from a Registered Speech-Language Pathologist

Reference: Earle, C. and Lowry, L. (2010) Target Word: The Hanen Program for Parents of Children who are Late Talkers. Parent Handbook – 2nd Edition.