

## Development of Sounds

The following outlines the age at which 75% of Australian children produce sounds correctly in single words (Kilminster and Laird, 1978). The child should say all sounds up to and including their age. If they are not producing one or more of these sounds, they would benefit from a Speech Pathology Assessment.

Age	Sound	Example
3 years	<input type="checkbox"/> m <input type="checkbox"/> n <input type="checkbox"/> h <input type="checkbox"/> p <input type="checkbox"/> ng <input type="checkbox"/> w <input type="checkbox"/> d <input type="checkbox"/> t <input type="checkbox"/> y <input type="checkbox"/> b <input type="checkbox"/> g <input type="checkbox"/> k	<u>m</u> um <u>n</u> o <u>h</u> at <u>p</u> ig <u>f</u> inger <u>w</u> et <u>d</u> og <u>t</u> eddy <u>y</u> es <u>b</u> aby <u>g</u> o <u>c</u> at
3 ½ years	<input type="checkbox"/> f	<u>f</u> ish
4 years	<input type="checkbox"/> l <input type="checkbox"/> sh <input type="checkbox"/> ch	<u>l</u> ight <u>sh</u> ip <u>ch</u> air
4 ½ years	<input type="checkbox"/> s <input type="checkbox"/> z <input type="checkbox"/> j	<u>s</u> un <u>z</u> oo <u>j</u> ump
5 years	<input type="checkbox"/> r	<u>r</u> abbit
6 years	<input type="checkbox"/> v <input type="checkbox"/> consonant blends (2+ consonants together)	<u>v</u> an <u>t</u> ree <u>b</u> lue <u>g</u> reen
8 years	<input type="checkbox"/> th (voiced)	<u>th</u> is
8 ½ years	<input type="checkbox"/> th (voiceless)	<u>th</u> umb