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Communication Red Flags for Children

3-Year-Old Checklist

Instructions: The following is a list of red flags that may indicate that a 3-year-old has communication concerns that need to be checked out by a speech-language pathologist. Check the box next to any of the following red flags that the child seems to have. The more boxes checked, the more likely there is a problem that should be addressed by a speech-language pathologist.

Child's Name:	Age:
☐ Speech can't be understood at least 75% of the time	
\square Doesn't know any spatial concepts like off, out of, away, together	er
☐ Isn't using the "-ing" for present progressive verbs (like "jumping	g" and "running")
☐ Isn't using 3-word sentences yet	
\square Can't answer basic what, where, and who questions (like "where	e are your shoes")
☐ Doesn't consistently say the sounds: p, b, h, n, w	
\square Leaves the ending consonant off of all words (like "ca" for "cat")	
☐ Doesn't use descriptors like one/many and sizes (big and small)	
☐ Isn't using pronouns like "he" and "she"	
	Total Number of Checks:
	out of 9

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