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Echolalia: Learning Language Through Scripts

Module 8 (Part 3) – Let's Model When You Hear Single Words Not Matching the Moment

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Putting it into Practice:
Keep Your Own Child in Mind!




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Modeling When You Hear Single Words That Don't Match the Moment (Echoes/Scripts)

- Scripts or echolalia can be as short as a single word!
 - E.g., "cookie", "alrighty", "whoa", "more", "spiderwebs", etc.
- Single word echoes are inflexible ("stuck" as a single word, may be produced with the exact same intonation)




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Modeling When You Hear Single Words That Don't Match the Moment (Echoes/Scripts)

- Model language that the child could copy and immediately use successfully – language that fits the moment.
- Questions are generally not appropriate (comment instead!)
 - Don't test!
 - If you do ask a question, also model the response



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Modeling When You Hear Single Words That Don't Match the Moment (Echoes/Scripts)



- Model language that the child could copy and immediately use successfully – language that fits the moment.
 - Avoid using "say..."
 - Avoid demands for a response

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Modeling When You Hear Single Words That Don't Match the Moment

- Model language that the child could copy and immediately use successfully – language that fits the moment.
- Model pronouns from the child's perspective
 - First person perspective (e.g., I'm...)
 - Joint or Neutral perspective (e.g., Let's..., It's..., That's...)



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Let's Practice!



Chase uses a lot of scripts and words that don't match the moment (scripted single words).

Let's play with dinosaurs, their favourite toy!


What might you model?



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Thank you!



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