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GET Help:

"Why can't my child tell a story?"

HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD TELL STORIES

Many children with language impairments struggle to tell a story with the following skills:

- Organization
- Sequencing
- Establishing Main Idea
- Perspective Taking

- Most young students are familiar with the basic elements of storytelling due to years of listening to bedtime stories and watching their favorite cartoons.
- Narratives play a big role early on because children love stories! They can also help children learn story structure, make predictions about what might happen next in a story, reading comprehension, and critical thinking skills.
- To tell or write entertaining stories, students must understand the basic story elements and use their imagination!

Typical Development of Narratives

- Heaps (2 yo): Collection of unrelated ideas
- Sequences (2-4 yo): Start linking story elements with character, topic, or setting
- Primitive Narratives (3-4 yo): Central character, topic, setting. Discuss facial expressions and body posture
- Unfocused Chains (4-4 1/2 yo): No central character. Cause and Effect
- Focused Chains (5 yo): a central character and a logical sequence of events.
- True Narrative (5+ yo): Focuses around an incident in a story. Includes plot, character development, and sequence of events. There is a problem in the story resolved in the end.

[HTTPS://WWW.SPEECHTHERAPYCT.COM/WHATS_NEW/CHILD%20NARRATIVE%20DEVELOPMENT.PDF](https://www.speechtherapyct.com/whats_new/child%20narrative%20development.pdf)

When to reach out to a Speech-Language Pathologist

- Stories don't make sense
- Adding unnecessary info
- Writing well but dislikes personal narrative
- Does not understand what is read to them
- Forgetting to tell you who they are talking about
- Starting conversation in the middle
- Leaving out important info
- Telling stories out of order

[HTTPS://CADEY.CO/ARTICLES/NARRATIVE-COHERENCE](https://cadey.co/articles/narrative-coherence)

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