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GET Help:

"How can I help a student with a Speech Sound Disorder in my class?"

TIPS FOR SUPPORTING KIDS WITH SSD IN THE CLASSROOM

Many teachers have students with a speech sound disorder (SSD) in their classroom. Often times, they are unsure of how to react if a student uses their speech therapy target sound incorrectly. Do you correct them? Pretend like it didn't happen? Make them say it again using their strong sound? We're here to help!

Don't:

- Correct every time
- Ignore it
- Ask them to repeat the sound better*

Do:

- Communicate with SLP
- Correct based on their level of performance in speech therapy after speaking with SLP
- Model sound correctly

Tips for helping a student with a speech sound disorder

- Repeat words back as they should sound
- Cue the child in to listen to sounds in words. If a child says "th" instead of "s", you could say: "Yes, it's 'sun', 'sun' has an 's' sound at the start, can you hear it? Sss-un".
- Use the letter sound, not the letter name, (e.g., it's a "sssss", rather than "ess").
- if you can't understand what they've said, encourage them to draw, show you, or gesture to help you understand.
- Incorporate sound awareness activities into your lessons

When to reach out to your student's Speech-Language Pathologist

- YOU'RE UNSURE IF YOU SHOULD CORRECT THE CHILD
- SSD IS IMPACTING LEARNING
- UNSURE OF WHICH CUES TO USE TO HELP THE CHILD SAY THE SOUND CORRECTLY

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