

Chapter 12

Reproducible Master E

Common Vocabulary Problems

Name _____

Date _____ Period _____

Learning language is a difficult task. Toddlers make many mistakes as they learn to speak. For each situation given below, write the letter of the problem it illustrates. (Each letter may be used more than once.)

Problems

- A. **Overextending:** Referring to different objects with the same or similar features by the same name.
- B. **Overrestricting:** Using a general term to mean a specific person or object.
- C. **Word substitution:** Using a known word in the wrong way because the child cannot say or recall the correct word.
- D. **Sound substitution:** Using one sound for another, such as *t* for *k* or *w* for *r*. May say *tite* instead of *kite*.
- E. **Holophrase:** A single word used to mean different ideas at different times. The word *bye* may mean an animal came, but is now gone, or it may mean, "I want to go."

Situations

- _____ 1. Kendra says, "See my wed box."
- _____ 2. Chris calls all tall, four-legged animals cows.
- _____ 3. Carrie hands her father a spoon and says, "Take my plate."
- _____ 4. Leah points to a sore on her arm and says, "Boo-boo." When her mother bumps her head on the door, Leah runs to her father and says, "Boo-boo."
- _____ 5. As Chloe points to roses in her neighbor's flowerbed, she asks her mother, "What zat?" Her mother replies, "Those are roses." Chloe shakes her head, and says, "No, no! Roses at my house."
- _____ 6. Malia is almost three years old. She loves going to children's concerts with her mother. Malia and her mother have stage-level seats to make it easier for Malia to see her father, the concert master. Malia turns and points to the balconies filled with people and says, "I want to sit in the basket."
- _____ 7. Josh's grandmother gave him a quarter. He proudly shows his "penny" to everyone.
- _____ 8. When Alicia hears someone unlock the door, she looks up and asks, "Daddy?" Later as her father leaves, she stands by the door and cries, "Daddy."
- _____ 9. As his mother tucks him into bed, Carlos says he wants his pidda (pillow).
- _____ 10. Sofia loves her new puppy, Governor. She follows Governor around the house, calling him *doggie*.