

<b>Speech Sound Development 4-5 years</b>	
<b>What to expect</b>	<b>What you can do</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The correct production of most speech sounds is expected</li> <li>• Speech Intelligibility should be greater than 90% intelligible</li> <li>• Errors may still exist on more difficult sounds: 'j', 'z', 'r', 'v', 'th'</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Model the correct production to your child</li> <li>• Encourage your child to self correct their error- help them identify their mistake and model the "fixed" word for them, e.g. "sebra", recasted for your child as "zebra"</li> <li>• Help them understand the importance of using the right sound and how this helps others understand them</li> </ul>



**References:** Table 3 - Elimination of Phonological Processes. Accessed from <https://www.speech-language-therapy.com> – Caroline Bowen  
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