Appendix B: Word Lists

Labels and Categories

Action Labels	Body Parts	A nimals
drink	eyes	cat/kitty
eat	mouth	dog/puppy
cry	nose	cow
come	ears	duck
sleep	hair	pig
go	arms	bird
see	legs	bug
hug	stomach/tummy	goat

Food and Drink milk cookie juice water bread chips apple	Toys ball doll car book swing tricycle truck	Animal Categories farm zoo jungle woods swimming flying rain forest
banana	bear	desert

Places (Names)	Furniture	General Household
bye-bye	bed	bathroom
home	chair	bedroom
store	table	closet
place of worship	couch/sofa	window
school	desk	ceiling
restaurants	dresser	floor
hospital	lamp	door
street		kitchen
park		

School	Vehicles	Occupations	Shapes
classroom	car	teacher	circle
teacher	truck	police officer	square
paper	airplane	firefighter	triangle
scissors	train	doctor	rectangle
pencil	bus	nurse	oval
crayons	boat	mail carrier	diamond
glue	bicycle	pilot	
playground	SUV	dentist	

Position Concepts

above – below

over – under

Ages at which position concepts emerge in most children (Nelson 1988):

outside – inside

middle

2-0 to 3-0	3-0 to 4-0	4-0 to 5-0	5-0 to 6-0
in	up	beside	behind
off	top	bottom	ahead of
on	around	backward	first
under	high	forward	last
out of	in front of	down	
together	in back of	low	
away from	next to	between	
•		inside	
Additional Concepts			

through near – far

Quality Concepts (Adjectives)

Size big – little large – small medium enormous/huge – tiny	Quantity more – less all – none empty – full each	Attractiveness ugly – pretty nice clean – dirty
Taste - Smell sweet - sour awful fragrant delicious good bad	many – few some – all Temperature hot – cold chilly – warm cool – warm	Colors red blue yellow green orange black brown
salty Length - Height - Width long - short thin - fat tall - short wide - narrow thick - thin	Sound loud – quiet noisy – quiet roaring – silent whirring dripping splashing chiming	purple white violet tan gray
skinny – fat		

right - left

after - before

Quality Concepts (Adjectives), continued

Feelingsguiltystrong – weakhappy/gladjealouslight – heavylovedangry/madcrooked – straightproudhurtbrokengladscared/afraidfunny

scared/afraid funny spotted

calm
patient
Other Concepts
beautiful – ugly
hopeful
hot – cold
excited
happy – sad
surprised
same – different
spotted
beautiful – ugly
curly – straight
dark – light
good – bad
mean

sad same – different mean
shy hard – soft careful
embarrassed old – young sharp – dull
tired new – old squishy
bored rough – smooth scratchy

sorry wet – dry

Temporal Concepts (Owens 1999)

days next today weeks before tomorrow calendar dates after hours months minutes into through seasons soon numerals for years away from later toward now morning

above afternoon evening

Regular Plurals

-s	-es	change f to v,	cattle	moose
ants	boxes	add -es	children	fish
apples	dishes	calves	clothes	sheep
balloons	glasses	knives	deer	teeth
cows	sandwiches	leaves	men	
doctors	watches	lives		
letters	foxes	loaves		
mechanics	dresses	wives		
shoes		wolves		

sometimes

Irregular Plurals

Pronouns

Personal	Pronouns
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I, me he, she, it they, them you him, her we, us

Possessive Pronouns

my, mine his, its they, theirs your, yours her, hers our, ours

Reflexive Pronouns

myself itself
yourself ourselves
himself yourselves
herself themselves

Relative Pronouns

this these that those

Indefinite Pronouns

all everybody no one another everyone one any few other several anybody many anyone most some somebody both neither each someone nobody such either none

Irregular Past Tense Verbs

read swung dug ate fed rode threw bent fell took blew sang broke flew tore sat built found saw was shut came gave went slept were caught got slid won cut had did held spread wore dived/dove hurt stood wrote drank lost strung put swam drew

ran

drove

swept

Conjunctions (Owens 1999)

and

because

although, while, as

and then

so, if, when

unless

but, or

until, before - after

therefore, however

Transition Words

To indicate a sequence (then relations)

first, at first then, after that next, still, too finally, eventually for example also, furthermore soon, as soon as first, second, third

To indicate time (temporal relations)

after a while as soon as before at last immediately in the past meanwhile shortly since until when

To indicate cause-effect (causal relations)

because, because of

due to
so, so that
therefore
in order to
thus
since
consequently
as a result
if – then

To indicate an example (descriptive relations)

in addition to besides for example such as for instance

To compare or contrast (comparative relations)

although
however
in comparison
in contrast
likewise
nevertheless
on the other hand
similarly, whereas, yet

Summary, Repetition, or Conclusion

as a result
as I have said
as we have seen
as mentioned earlier
in any event
in conclusion
therefore
to summarize

Antonyms

Level I	run – walk	loud – quiet
asleep – awake	sad – happy	many – few
big – little	soft – hard	near – far
black – white	stand – sit	old – young
boy – girl	stop – go	rich – poor
closed – open	throw - catch	rough – smooth
cold – hot	top – bottom	same – different
come – go	under – over	sharp – dull
day – night	up – down	sick – well
empty – full	wet – dry	south - north
fat – skinny	yes – no	summer – winter
front – back		sweet - sour
high – low	Level II	tall – short
in – out	crooked – straight	thick – thin
left – right	deep – shallow	tight – loose
long – short	fast – slow	ugly – pretty
mother – father	first – last	wide - narrow
old – new	lock – unlock	work – play
on – off	lose – find	

loud - soft

Synonyms

pull – push

Level I	girl – female	bold – courageous
hat – cap	boy – male	couch – sofa – divan
coat – jacket	fast – quick – speedy – swift	funny – hilarious
rug – carpet	happy – glad	job - occupation - career
street – road	car – automobile	teacher – instructor
icebox – refrigerator	over – above	walk – stroll
glue – paste	night – evening	restaurant – cafe
pants – slacks – trousers – jeans		old – ancient
freeway – highway	Level II	ugly – unattractive
store – shop	baby – infant	brag – boast
well - healthy	sleep – slumber	want – desire
sick – ill	billfold – wallet	habitual – usual
laugh – giggle – chuckle	cook – chef	empty – void
mad – angry – furious	buy – purchase	seldom – infrequent

Multiple-Meaning Words

batter	finish	mind
board	float	note
bridge	gather	part
brook	grain	pass
buckle	graze	pepper
carriage	ground	pick
choice	harness	point
course	heart	pupil
court	idle	rent
crop	key	rest
cross	line	round
drag	list	shade
ear	mean	sharp
film	mill	shed

Homonyms

ate – eight	hose – hoes	sea – see
aunt – ant	mail – male	shoot – chute
base – bass	meat – meet	so – sew
bear – bare	night – knight	some – sum
beet - beat	pain – pane	son – sun
berry – bury	pale – pail	stair – stare
brake – break	pear – pair – pare	steak – stake
dear – deer	peek – peak	tail – tale
eye – l	plane – plain	to – two – too
fair – fare	rain – rein	wait – weight
flower – flour	read – reed	way – weigh
hair – hare	right – write	wood – would
hear – here	root – route	
hole – whole	sale – sail	

shell shock short slip snug square stall step stick suit thread