Pittsburgh AAC Language Seminar

Learning More Than One Language –

Considerations and Implications for Practice With Children Using AAC

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Pretest

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Completion of this pretest is a requirement to receive CEUs for attending this seminar. Please complete and submit to the AAC Institute prior to June 11, 2019.

1. Which of the following statements about core vocabulary is **NOT** true?
   1. Core vocabulary is a statistical concept related to overall vocabulary frequency.
   2. Core vocabulary is made up of easily pictured concepts such as people, places or things.
   3. Core vocabulary is essential for language development.
   4. Core vocabulary is consistent across demographic groups, activities, conversational topics and clinical populations.
2. A direct representation of an object or concept is considered:
   1. Primary Iconicity
   2. Secondary Iconicity
   3. Translucent
   4. Opaque
3. Evidence of a core vocabulary set has been found:
   1. Only among adult speakers of the English language.
   2. Across populations including typical speakers of all ages and individuals with physical and/or cognitive impairments.
   3. Solely amidst children with a common classroom teacher and adults working in large groups.
   4. Across populations of young children but fading as they reach adolescence.
4. What percentage of language use is comprised of core words?
   1. Approximately 50%
   2. Less than 25%
   3. More than 75%
   4. 100%
5. Which of the following is **NOT** a core word?
   1. spatula
   2. out
   3. mine
   4. go
6. Which of the following is a communication partner strategy designed to increase successful use of an AAC system by an augmented communicator?
   1. Provide hand-over-hand assistance to say the answers in class.
   2. Ask open-ended questions to enable the individual to express their ideas.
   3. Ask yes/no questions to maximize efficiency and reduce the linguistic strain.
   4. Take the majority of conversational turns to take the pressure off of the individual who is using AAC.
7. Aided language input is essential to language development in individuals who use AAC because:
   1. It gives them an opportunity to use their device.
   2. It gives their communication partners the opportunity to learn where vocabulary is in the device.
   3. It models operational skills that are important in device use.
   4. Provides the student with a visual and auditory representation of how language is encoded within their AAC system.
8. Which of the following is **NOT** a component of descriptive teaching?
   1. Students are taught to define key concepts using high frequency vocabulary.
   2. Curriculum words are programmed into the AAC device weekly.
   3. Language is modeled during instruction to support learning.
   4. Students can generate appropriate responses based on their level of language development.
9. Motor automaticity can be defined as:
   1. The ability to do something without conscious thought.
   2. The ability to conceive, plan and carry out a skilled, non-habitual motor act.
   3. A mental process by which the individual simulates movement.
   4. The trial and error process of adjusting movement to new demands.
10. Does exposure to more than one language from birth result in language delays or disorders?
    1. Yes, as it is too confusing to the learner.
    2. No. This is considered a myth due to lack of evidence.
    3. Maybe, in some cases
    4. Sometimes this can be a problem
11. Current research suggests development of bilingual proficiency can result in specific benefits including:
    1. Economic, educational, cognitive, socio-cultural and/or social emotional benefits
    2. Improved self-identify and self-esteem
    3. Language and literacy
    4. Health
12. Key strategies impacting successful development of bilingual proficiency for users of AAC include:
    1. Separate exposure to languages
    2. Access to a system with bilingual capacity with family engagement and support
    3. Intensive 1:1 therapy
    4. English only immersion program
13. Which of the following is a strategy that can enable students who use AAC to be successful with curriculum tasks developed around Bloom’s Taxonomy?
    1. Descriptive teaching of curriculum concepts
    2. Programming curriculum words into the device.
    3. Minimizing the amount of participation so that the student is not pressured to perform.
    4. Ask parent to complete homework with child to supplement vocabulary that is not in the device.