

# This Month in Speech...



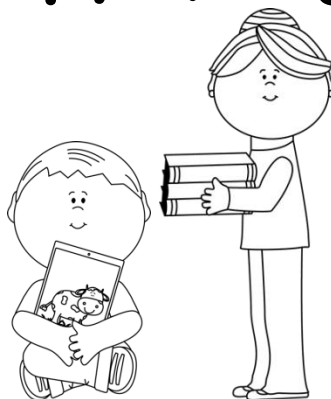
## School Speech- Language

### Pathologists Work on:

- Articulation
  - Saying different sounds, such as /r/ or /l/.
- Voice
  - Focusing on the sound of your voice and remediating vocal abuse such as a hoarse or raspy voice.
- Stuttering
  - Targeting strategies for fluent speech.
- Language
  - Higher order language skills, vocabulary, grammar, syntax, etc.
- Pragmatics
  - Eye contact, turn-taking, peer-to-peer socialization, coping strategies, etc.
- Augmentative Communication
  - The use of alternative devices such as picture symbols, sign language, and technology (iPads, etc) to communicate.
- Phonology/Phonemic Awareness
  - Pre-reading skills, sound-letter awareness, phoneme segmentation, blending, identification, etc.
- Executive Functioning
  - Organization, sequencing, problem solving, etc.

...and so much more!

## May is Better Speech and Hearing Month



*There are over 123,000  
Speech Language  
Pathologists in the  
world. Almost half of  
them work in the  
schools!*

### Facts About Speech and Hearing:

- To produce a phrase, about 100 muscles of the chest, neck, jaw, tongue and lips must coordinate.
- The human tongue is made up of 8 muscles. It is one of the most powerful muscles in your body.
- Sound travels at the speed of 1,130 feet per second. That's 770 miles per hour!
- The malleus, incus, and stapes in the ear are the smallest bones in the body.
- Communication disorders affect almost 46 million Americans!