Using Recast Intervention for Grammatical Targets

Correct or Change the Child's Utterance to Include the Language Target

- Him run. So fast.
  - Yeah, he is running!
- He trips! Rug!
  - Oh no! The boy is tripping on the rug
- Kite fly. Wind blow.
  - The kite is flying because the wind blew

Tips

- One Target at a Time
  - Focused stimulation works; general stimulation doesn't. Multiple targets slow progress.
- Variety is the Spice of Life
  - Kids learn faster if they hear the target in lots of different contexts, with different nouns and verbs surrounding it
- Works for Any Language Target
  - Recasts work for vocabulary, simple sentences, morphology, questions, passives, and complex syntax
- Be Grammatical
  - Avoid telegraphic and ungrammatical utterances. Kids learn from ALL input that they hear.
- Anybody Can Do It
  - Be sure the caregiver is hitting dose rate targets and understand the language goal.

10-20 Sessions

10-20 visits x 30-60 min x 1 recast/min = 300-1000 exposures per grammatical target

Children need exposure to approximately 1 Recast per Minute to obtain 1 standard deviation of gain on a given target.

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