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# **An Introduction to the SATPAC Program and Approach-Live Webinar**

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## RESOURCE HANDBOOK

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SATPAC (Systematic Articulation Training Program Accessing Computers) is an articulation software/online program which simulates normal conversation by incorporating coarticulation and natural prosody at a conversational rate. Best practices which include the use of facilitating contexts, nonwords and numerous repetitions of the target sound lead to quicker remediation of deficits.

Target sounds are established, practiced and transferred. In the Establishment and Practice Phases, nonwords are used. In the Generalization/Transfer Phase, real phrases and sentences are used that move the student systematically to normal conversational competence.

### **IMPORTANT ELEMENTS OF SATPAC**

Facilitating Contexts

Coarticulation

Normal Rate

Natural Prosody

Nonwords

Therapy Response Rate

## Important Elements of SATPAC

- Facilitating Contexts

*beetseet* as an example

**Why beetseet?** Because /b/ requires no tongue positioning, /ee/ gets the tongue wide and stabilized on the back molars and the tip in the lingua-alveolar area, /t/ gets the tongue tip up, and you get /s/ by lengthening the duration of the /t/ in /eet/ and it turns into an /s/ followed by the /ee/ and /t/ to keep the tongue in the same position. SATPAC has suggested facilitating context words for every error sound and phonological processes.

## Important Elements of SATPAC

- Coarticulation

*beetseet*

(target sound will always be in position 3 or 4--in this case /t,s/)

**Why is coarticulation important?** Because in conversation we always coarticulate so it makes sense to practice coarticulating the target sound which will lead to quicker transfer to conversational speech.

## Important Elements of SATPAC

- Normal Rate

In conversation we always use a normal rate so it makes sense to practice the target sound at a normal rate which will lead to quicker transfer to conversational speech.

## Normal Rate



**What is the metronome for?** When I first developed the program, many students were not transferring into conversational speech. I discovered that I wasn't going fast enough. At 140 BPM (beats per minute), students will be speaking at a conversational rate as they go through the lists. If they cannot go that speed, they need to keep working on the lists until they can develop the motor skills they need for a conversational rate.

### Important Elements of SATPAC

- Natural Prosody

**Natural Prosody** This contrastive stress list is powerful and seldom used in speech therapy where the student is practicing sentences taking the stress off the target sound (which would be more like normal conversation and again leads to quicker transfer into conversational speech.

## Natural Prosody

### Practice Phase

#### List #5

A boy bought a new **beetseet** (bitsit).

- I bought a new **beetseet** (bitsit)?
- A boy **sold** a new **beetseet** (bitsit)?
- A boy bought an **old** **beetseet** (bitsit)?
- A boy bought a new **jootseet** (dgutsit)?

A **wetseet** (wetsit) hit a mean man.

- A **wetseet** (wetsit) **painted** a mean man?
- A **wetseet** (wetsit) hit a **crazy** man?
- A **wetseet** (wetsit) hit a mean **chicken**?
- A **beetsood** (bitsud) hit a mean man?

I met a **beetsab** (bitsæb) walking home.

- Did you **pass** a **beetsab** (bitsæb) walking home?
- Did you meet a **beetsab** (bitsæb) **flying** home?
- Did you meet a **beetsab** (bitsæb) walking **to the beach**?
- Did you meet a **beetsab** (bitsæb) walking home?

My **leetseet** (litsit) won a penny.

- Did your **friend's** **leetseet** (litsit) win a penny?
- Did your **leetseet** (litsit) **lose** a penny?

The way this is done is the following: The SLP models the first sentence and the student repeats. Then the SLP asks incorrect questions putting the stress on the word that was changed. The student responds with the correct sentence putting the stress on the word the SLP changed. For example, the SLP asks: I bought a new beetseet? And the student responds, No, A **boy** bought a new beetseet. Then the SLP asks, A boy **sold** a new beetseet and the student replies, No a boy **bought** a new beetseet, etc.

Again, this is very powerful because it takes the stress off the target like in natural conversation .

## Important Elements of SATPAC

- Nonwords
  - 1) minimal changes from word to word
  - 2) no negative associations
  - 3) nonwords are more complex

### 3 Reasons to Use Nonwords

1) You have the ability to make minimal changes from word to word so that the student can develop a consistent motor pattern (beetseet, mitseet, weitseet, etc.)

2) The student has no associations with the nonwords. With real words (like “soap”), the student has a sensory memory for the way it sounds, feels, etc. and it is all incorrect.

3) Nonwords are more complex according to the Complexity Approach so that when the consistent motor pattern is established and practiced, it then becomes easier to use real words.

## Important Elements of SATPAC

- Therapy Response Rate

**Therapy Response Rate** In order to change a habitual pattern (like saying a sound incorrectly maybe a million times), it’s going to take a lot of repetitions to change that. Using the SATPAC lists and using the contrastive stress technique (see next page), you can get hundreds of correct productions in a very short time (200 in a 15-minute session).

# Contrastive Stress Sentences

## Prevocalic and Postvocalic Target Phones

### /s, z/ sentences - List 1

1. Grace has a soft whisper.
2. Sam never cleans his cups.
3. The cough syrup spilled.
4. Gus passed the rib soup house.
5. The sick rooster sang at sunrise.
6. I have inside days and outside days.
7. The skater was face down.
8. The bus drove summer school.
9. It's too hot to skate in August.
10. You must accept peace.
11. The spoons game was nice.
12. A jigsaw piece was lost.
13. Chris will sell his gas shop.
14. The dish soap was messy.

Like the natural prosody contrastive sentences in the Practic Phase, the SLP can do something similar here to get lots and lots of correct responses.

The SLP models the first sentence and the student repeats. Then the SLP changes a word: **Bill** has a soft whisper? The student responds, No **Grace** has a soft whisper, etc.

In my workshops I usually demonstrate the first two sentences with an SLP participant and time how long it takes. It is usually in the neighborhood of 15 seconds. In that 15 seconds,

## 3 Phases of the SATPAC Program



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## SATPAC Procedures Checklist

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ PreVocalic /     / PostVocalic /     /

PreV Date	PreV %	ESTABLISHMENT PHASE (95% Accuracy)	PostV Date	PostV %
PreV Date	PreV %	ESTABLISHMENT PHASE (95% Accuracy)	PostV Date	PostV %
		1) Bisyllable Word Slowly		
		2) Target Phone Prolonged		
		3) Equal Stress of Syllables		
		4) Stress on Syllable Containing Target Phone		
		5) Stress on Syllable Not Containing Target		
		6) Repetition of Phrases and Sentences		
		7) Sentences Containing Linguistic Stress		
List 3			List 3	
List 4			List 4	

**The Establishment Phase** is optional as leading up to it, the student may make hundreds of practice contexts (i.e., EET, EETS, EETS-EE, EEETSEE, BEETSEE, BEETSEET) so this phase may not be necessary. Use your professional judgment. You are looking for 95% accuracy at any rate (19/20 correct responses). If the student misses two, do that same level again (do not go back to the beginning).

### Establishment Phase

#### Step 6 Phrases

1. \_\_\_\_\_ NO. \_\_\_\_\_
2. MY \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_
3. ON A \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_
4. A \_\_\_\_\_ WON. \_\_\_\_\_

#### Step 7 Sentences

1. A **boy** bought a new \_\_\_\_\_ . \_\_\_\_\_
2. A boy **bought** a new \_\_\_\_\_ . \_\_\_\_\_
3. A boy bought a **new** \_\_\_\_\_ . \_\_\_\_\_
4. A boy bought a new \_\_\_\_\_ . \_\_\_\_\_

**Phrases and Sentences** are said 5x/each with the emphasis off the target sound.



# Practice Phase

## Click on Bars to See Seed Words

The screenshot shows the iSATPAC Practice Phase interface. On the left is a sidebar with navigation options: Practice Phase, Generalization, CVCV Supplement, 3-Element Cluster, Resources, Clients, and Help. The main content area is titled 'Practice Phase' and includes a 'Client Joe Schmo' dropdown, a settings gear, a user profile 'STEPHEN SACKS', and a 'FEEDBACK' button. The 'Seedword' field is empty, with a green arrow pointing to a menu icon. Below it are three checkboxes: 'Use post-vocalic target sound location', 'Allow target sound in adjacent location', and 'Allow target sound in alternate location'. A green 'CREATE LIST' button is below these. The 'CURRENT CLIENT' section shows 'Joe Schmo' with email 'jschmo@comcast.net' and a 'fronting' profile, with an 'EDIT' button. The 'CURRENT PROFILE' section shows 'Default Profile' with a 'SAVE' button. The 'Vowels to exclude' section has an 'ALL CLEAR' button and a grid of vowel pairs: ee-beet, a-bat, OO-boot, i-bit, u-but, oo-book, ae-bait, o-bought, oe-boat, and e-bet. The 'Consonants to exclude' section also has an 'ALL CLEAR' button and a grid of consonant pairs: p, f, th, t, sh, k, h; b, v, Th, d, zh, g; m, s, r, ng; w, z, y; ch; j; n; l.

**The Practice Phase** is the heart of the SATPAC Program. To choose a seedword, click on the 3 bars (green arrow at the top) and then a drop down list will appear (following page). When choosing a seedword (a facilitating context word), there is the chance that the word will not work or you have another word that does work. You can type in your own seedword but it must follow the coarticulation rule being 2 syllables with the target sound in the middle and following the form of CVCCVC, VCCV, CVCCV, VCCVC, etc. Often for the /r/ sound, you might want to put 2 /r/s together like EERRAT or ER-RAT. If that's the case, you need to check the box under the seedword that says "Use target sound in adjacent location". You also need to decide which /r/ you want to be the target sound (prevocalic or postvocalic). Either leave the box under the seedword unchecked (which says "Use post-vocalic target sound location" if you want the target to be prevocalic) or check it if you want the target to be postvocalic.

Normally the target sound will only appear once in the middle of the word either prevocalic or postvocalic. However, if the student is doing well and you would like more difficult practice, check the box that says "Allow target sound in alternate location". In that case, you may get words like BEETSEES or SATSEET.

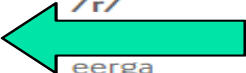
# Practice Phase

## Chose a Seed Word

Client Default Client STEPHEN SACKS FEEDBACK

### Seedword List

#### Speech Sounds

<b>Lisps /s/</b> beetseet beetseek eetsee	 <b>/r/</b> eerga eerna eetree	<b>/p/</b> opo <b>/f/</b> eefee	<b>/w/</b> owo <b>/th/</b> moththo
<b>/l/</b> ulu	eedree eeshree	<b>/sh/</b> oeshshoe	<b>/ng/</b> onggo
<b>/b/</b> obo	ogree okree	<b>/m/</b> eemee	<b>/v/</b> eevee
<b>/t/</b> eetee	eefra <b>/h/</b> oho	<b>/n/</b> ono	<b>/y/</b> eeyu

#### Phonological Processes

<b>Fronting t/k,</b> <b>d/g</b> oko ogo	<b>Stopping t/s,</b> <b>d/z, p/f, b/v</b> eesneep eezneep eefnee eevnee	<b>Cluster</b> <b>Reduction-</b> <b>Deletion /s/</b> eeskeep eesteeep esneep eesmeep eespeep eesleep eesweep	<b>/l/</b> eeslup uflup uplup ublup uklup <b>Deaffrication</b> totshot <b>Gliding (see</b> <b>/l/, /r/)</b>
<b>/r/</b> eetree eedree eeshree ogree okree eefra	<b>Final</b> <b>Consonant</b> <b>Deletion</b> motmop eesneep		

Here is the drop down list. You can see there are suggestions for the various error sounds and phonological processes. Click on whichever word you want and it will show up in the seedword box.

# Practice Phase-Eliminate Sounds

The screenshot shows the iSATPAC Practice Phase interface. On the left is a navigation menu with options: Practice Phase, Generalization, CVCV Supplement, 3-Element Cluster, Resources, Clients, and Help. The main content area is divided into three sections. The top section is for the 'beetset' list, with a text input field containing 'beetset' and three checkboxes: 'Use post-vocalic target sound location', 'Allow target sound in adjacent location', and 'Allow target sound in alternate location'. Below these is a green 'CREATE LIST' button. The middle section shows 'CURRENT CLIENT' as 'no@email.com' with an 'EDIT' button and 'CURRENT PROFILE' as 'Default profile' with a 'SAVE' button. The right section is for 'Vowels to exclude' and 'Consonants to exclude'. The 'Vowels to exclude' section has a grid of buttons for 'ee - beet', 'a - bat', 'OO - boot', 'i - bit', 'u - but', 'oo - book', 'ae - bait', 'o - bought', 'oe - boat', and 'e - bet'. The 'Consonants to exclude' section has a grid of buttons for 'p', 'f', 'th', 't', 'sh', 'k', 'h', 'b', 'v', 'Th', 'd', 'zh', 'g', 'm', 's', 'r', 'ng', 'w', 'z', 'y', 'ch', 'j', 'n', and 'l'. The 'th' and 'Th' buttons are highlighted in red.

You will want to eliminate sounds from your lists so the student can correctly say all the sounds in the lists. You should 1) eliminate the sounds that will interfere with the target sound (in this case TH sounds will interfere for a student with a frontal lisp and 2) the sounds that are not in the student's repertoire (in this case /r/).

## Click on Create List Button

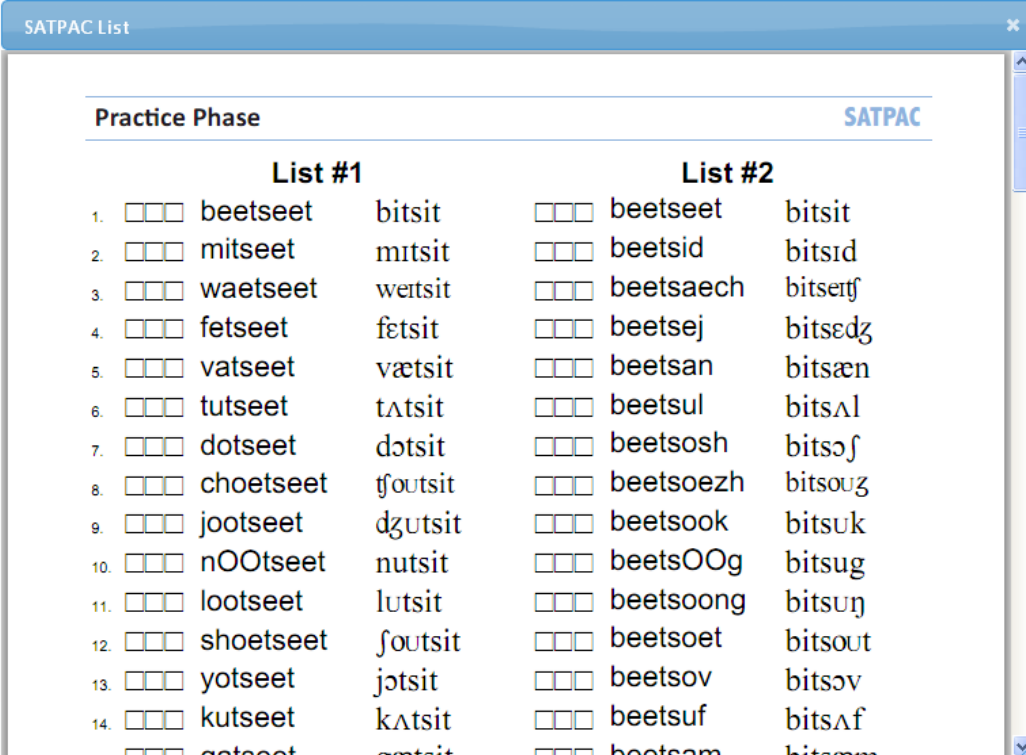
This screenshot is identical to the one above, showing the iSATPAC Practice Phase interface. The 'CREATE LIST' button is highlighted with a green border, indicating it should be clicked. The rest of the interface, including the navigation menu, client information, and exclusion options, remains the same.

## Practice Phase-Criteria for Completion

80%+ accuracy on the first 5 lists @ 140 BPM

80% accuracy on List 6 using a normal rate with no slowing down on the target sound.

## Practice Phase-Lists 1 and 2



The screenshot shows a software window titled "SATPAC List" with a "Practice Phase" section. It contains two columns of word lists, "List #1" and "List #2". Each list consists of 14 numbered items, each with three empty boxes followed by a word and its phonetic transcription. The words in List #1 are variations of "beetseet" with different consonants and vowels. The words in List #2 are variations of "beetseet" with different consonants and vowels, including some with "s" or "sh" sounds.

List #1		List #2	
1. [ ] [ ] [ ] beetseet	bitsit	[ ] [ ] [ ] beetseet	bitsit
2. [ ] [ ] [ ] mitseet	mitsit	[ ] [ ] [ ] beetsid	bitsid
3. [ ] [ ] [ ] waetseet	wetsit	[ ] [ ] [ ] beetsaech	bitsɛf
4. [ ] [ ] [ ] fetseet	fɛtsit	[ ] [ ] [ ] beetsej	bitsɛdʒ
5. [ ] [ ] [ ] vatseet	vætsit	[ ] [ ] [ ] beetsan	bitsæn
6. [ ] [ ] [ ] tutseet	tʌtsit	[ ] [ ] [ ] beetsul	bitsʌl
7. [ ] [ ] [ ] dotseet	dɔtsit	[ ] [ ] [ ] beetsosh	bitsɔʃ
8. [ ] [ ] [ ] choetseet	tʃoutsit	[ ] [ ] [ ] beetsoezh	bitsouʒ
9. [ ] [ ] [ ] jootseet	dʒutsit	[ ] [ ] [ ] beetsook	bitsuk
10. [ ] [ ] [ ] nOOtseet	nutsit	[ ] [ ] [ ] beetsOOg	bitsug
11. [ ] [ ] [ ] lootseet	lutsit	[ ] [ ] [ ] beetsoong	bitsuŋ
12. [ ] [ ] [ ] shoetseet	ʃoutsit	[ ] [ ] [ ] beetsoet	bitsout
13. [ ] [ ] [ ] yotseet	jɔtsit	[ ] [ ] [ ] beetsov	bitsɔv
14. [ ] [ ] [ ] kutseet	kʌtsit	[ ] [ ] [ ] beetsuf	bitsʌf
...	...	[ ] [ ] [ ] beetsam	bitsəm

List 1 is systematic making minimal changes from word to word following the place/manner chart for the consonants and the vowel circle for the vowels. Notice that the changes take place away from the target sound so every word has TSEET. The purpose of this is give the student lots of repetitions in the best possible context to develop a consistent motor pattern for /s/.

On List 2 the changes take place after the /s/ sound which is more difficult. Not that that would be the typical starting place for SLPs showing pictures of /s/ words.

# Practice Phase-Lists 3 and 4

SATPAC List			
Practice Phase		SATPAC	
List #3		List #4	
1.	□□□ beetseet bitsit	□□□ beetseet bitsit	
2.	□□□ beetsaehz bitserz	□□□ beedseet bidsit	
3.	□□□ doetseet doutsit	□□□ beechseet biʃsit	
4.	□□□ beetsich bitsiʃ	□□□ beejseet bidʒsit	
5.	□□□ patseet pætsit	□□□ beenseet binsit	
6.	□□□ beetsat bitsæt	□□□ beelseet bilsit	
7.	□□□ nootseet nutsit	□□□ beeshseet biʃsit	
8.	□□□ beetsaev bitserv	□□□ beezhseet biʒsit	
9.	□□□ yOOtseet jutsit	□□□ beekseet biksit	
10.	□□□ beetsaesh bitserʃ	□□□ beegseet bigsit	
...	□□□ hOOtseet hutsit	□□□ beengseet binsit	

List 3 is a combination of Lists 1 and 2 with every other word having *beets* and every other word having *tseet*.

beetseet			
Practice Phase		SATPAC	
List #5			
1	□□□ ifsi ifsi	□□□ engse eŋse	
2	□□□ æksae eɪkseɪ	□□□ alsa ælsæ	
3	□□□ ezhse eʒse	□□□ ukxu ʌksʌ	
4	□□□ alsa ælsæ	□□□ oshso ɔʃso	
5	□□□ ushsu ʌʃsʌ	□□□ oegsoe ougsoʊ	
6	□□□ ovso ɔvso	□□□ oolsoo ʊlsʊ	
7	□□□ oetsoe ʊtsʊ	□□□ OOdsOO ʊdsʊ	
8	□□□ oohsoo ʊʃsʊ	□□□ oongsoo ʊŋsʊ	
9	□□□ OObsOO ʊbsʊ	□□□ oevsoe ʊvsoʊ	
10	□□□ oolsoo ʊlsʊ	□□□ onso ɔnsʊ	

List 5 has systematic vowels and a random consonant abutting the /s/ sound.

# Practice Phase-List 6

A boy bought a new beetseet (bitsit).

- I bought a new beetseet (bitsit)?
- A boy **sold** a new beetseet (bitsit)?
- A boy bought an **old** beetseet (bitsit)?
- A boy bought a new **koetseet** (koutsit)?

A beetsud (bitsad) hit a mean man.

- A beetsud (bitsad) **painted** a mean man?
- A beetsud (bitsad) hit a **crazy** man?
- A beetsud (bitsad) hit a mean **chicken**?
- A **tOOTseet** (tutsit) hit a mean man?

I met a naetseet (netsit) walking home.

- Did you **pass** a naetseet (netsit) walking home?
- Did you meet a naetseet (netsit) **flying** home?
- Did you meet a naetseet (netsit) walking **to the beach**?
- Did you meet a **beetsoep** (bitsoup) walking home?

My beetsav (bitsæv) won a penny.

- Did your **friend's** beetsav (bitsæv) win a penny?
- Did your beetsav (bitsæv) **lose** a penny?
- Did your beetsav (bitsæv) win a **nickel**?
- Did your beetsOOB (bitsub) win a penny?

I want a big betseet (betsit).

- Do I want a big **betseet** (betsit)?
- Do you **have** a big betseet (betsit)?
- Do you want a **small** betseet (betsit)?
- Do you want a big **netseet** (netsit)?

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The SLP models the top sentence then it is repeated with no particular emphasis. The SLP asks the following sentences putting stress on the word in bold (which is incorrect). The student replies "No" and corrects the sentence. For example, the SLP asks "I bought a new beetseet?" And the student replies, "No, a **boy** bought a new beetseet." The SLP asks "A boy **sold** a new beetseet?" and the student replies, "No a boy **bought** a new beetseet." etc.

This is a very powerful exercise because the target sound is said naturally without putting stress on it. In most practice the student would say, "A boy bought a new beet**S**eet putting stress on the target sound and this exercise takes the stress off the target sound.

# Generalization/Transfer Phase

The screenshot shows the iSATPAC software interface. The top navigation bar includes 'iSATPAC', 'Generalization', and 'Client Default Client' with a dropdown arrow and a settings gear icon. A left sidebar contains menu items: 'Practice Phase', 'Generalization' (highlighted), 'CVCV Supplement', '3-Element Cluster', 'Resources' (with a dropdown arrow), 'Clients', and 'Help'. The main content area is titled 'Transfer Phase Lists' and contains a list of target phonemes, each with a dropdown arrow. The selected item is 'Prevocalic and postvocalic target phones /s/ and /z/ (list 1)'. Below this list, there are three links: 'Phrase list', 'Short sentence list', and 'Sentence list'. The text 'Prevocalic and postvocalic target phones /s/ and /z/ (list 1)' is displayed in italics.

Target Phoneme	Dropdown Arrow
Prevocalic and postvocalic target phones /p/	▼
Prevocalic and postvocalic target phones /b/	▼
Prevocalic and postvocalic target phones /m/	▼
Prevocalic target phones /w/	▼
Prevocalic and postvocalic target phones /f/	▼
Prevocalic and postvocalic target phones /v/	▼
Prevocalic and postvocalic target phones /Th/ and /th/	▼
Prevocalic and postvocalic target phones /t/	▼
Prevocalic and postvocalic target phones /d/	▼
Prevocalic and postvocalic target phones /s/ and /z/ (list 1)	▲

*Prevocalic and postvocalic target phones /s/ and /z/ (list 1)*

[Phrase list](#)  
[Short sentence list](#)  
[Sentence list](#)

In the Generalization/Transfer Phase, phrase and sentence lists can be selected. In this case, we have chosen the /s/ /z/ target phones for phrases, short sentences and longer sentences. Click on whatever you want. Each phrase has a prevocalic and a postvocalic target sound abutting all the various consonants. The Short sentences have a prevocalic and posvocalic target sound in each sentence and the Sentence List has 3 or more target sounds in each sentence.

## TALLY COUNTER



For this phase, I have my students use a tally counter pressing when they say their target sound. Interestingly, after hundreds and hundreds of target sound productions they have made going through the Establishment and Practice Phases, students are not always aware when they are saying their target sound. When beginning to use the tally counter, they frequently slow down anticipating when they will say their target but over time, they speed up. This has proven to be a really valuable tool particularly when the student gets to conversational speech or when reading.

I will send a tally counter home with the student to practice at home. Half the time I don't get them back but the quicker improvement they make makes it worth it.

# Generalization/Transfer Phase Phrases

## Prevocalic and Postvocalic Target Phones /s/ phrases

1. soft whisper
2. knsack mess
3. single houseboy
4. rib soup house
5. sick rooster
6. outside moose
7. seen face down
8. roadside bus
9. summer ice skate
10. acsept pease
11. soft toss game
12. jigssaw piese
26. watch some geese
27. say yes jim
28. large sun mass
29. sick bossman
30. himself yes
31. sorry guess not
32. pencil toss
33. surf this way
34. going soon joye
35. sound asleep
36. also Bess
37. so kiss you

As mentioned previously, each phrase has a prevocalic and a postvocalic target sound abutting all the various consonants 1 and 2 (p), 3 and 4 (b), etc.



# Generalization/Transfer Phase

## Short Sentences

### Prevocalic and Postvocalic Target Phones Short /s, z/ Sentences - List 1

1. She had a soft whisper.
2. Sam never cleas up.
3. Grace bought cough syrup.
4. We went to the soup house.
5. The sick rooster died.
6. I like inside days.
7. The skater was pretty.
8. The bus drove to school.
9. I swam in August.
10. You must accept it.

# Generalization/Transfer Phase

## Sentences

### Prevocalic and Postvocalic Target Phones /s, z/ sentences - List 1

1. Grace has a soft whisper.
2. Sam never cleas his cups.
3. The cough syrup spilled.
4. Gus passed the rib soup house.
5. The sick rooster sang at sunrise.
6. I have inside days and outside days.
7. The skater was face down.
8. The bus drove summer school.
9. It's too hot to skate in August.
10. You must accept peace.
11. The spoons game was nice.
12. A jigsaw piece was lost.

As mentioned previously, The Short sentences have a prevocalic and posvocalic target sound in each sentence and the Sentence List has 3 or more target sounds in each sentence. These sentences are also excellent to use a contrastive stress technique to get lots of target sounds to be said naturally without stress on most of them. For example, you model "Grace has a soft whisper" and it's repeated. You then ask "Bill has a soft whisper?" and the student replies, "No **Grace** has a soft whisper."

# Generalization/Transfer Phase Contrasting /s,z,th/

The screenshot shows the iSATPAC Generalization interface. The top navigation bar includes 'iSATPAC', 'Generalization', 'Client Default Client', a settings gear, and 'STEPHEN SACKS'. A left sidebar contains menu items: 'Practice Phase', 'Generalization', 'CVCV Supplement', '3-Element Cluster', 'Resources', 'Clients', and 'Help'. The main content area is a scrollable list of target phonemes, each with a dropdown arrow. The list includes: 'Prevocalic and postvocalic target phones /sh/', 'Prevocalic target phones /r/', 'Postvocalic target phones /r/', 'Target phones /er/', 'Target phones /ar/', 'Target phones /or/', 'Prevocalic target phones /y/', 'Prevocalic and postvocalic target phones /k/', 'Prevocalic and postvocalic target phones /g/', 'Prevocalic target phones /h/', 'Prevocalic and postvocalic target phones /r/ (sentences list 1)', 'Prevocalic and postvocalic target phones /r/ (sentences list 2)', and 'Prevocalic and postvocalic target phones /s, z-th/ contrasting sentences'. Below the list, there are three links: 'Phrase list', 'Short sentence list', and 'Sentence list'.

After having practiced the target sound and having it generalized into some structured conversational activities like using contrastive stress sentences, it is time to bring back the sound(s) that interfered with the target sound when we began. So now the TH sounds are brought back and at this point, the student is able to say both the TH and /s,z/ sounds correctly. It might be slow at first, but after some practice, the sentences should be said at a normal conversational rate.

There are phrases, short sentences (on the following page) and longer sentences where the TH sounds are contrasted with the /s,z/ sounds.

You might have noticed that I'm talking about the /s,z/ sounds yet the only thing we have practiced appear to be the /s/ sounds. However, you will also notice that many /s/ sounds when they follow a voice sound are pronounced /z/. Some examples would be these, *Tuesday*, *hose*, *goes*, *limes*, etc.

# Generalization/Transfer Phase

## Contrasting Phrases

### Prevocalic and Postvocalic Target Phones /s,z,th/ Contrasting Phrases

- |                                |                                  |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. <u>the</u> sink             | 26. soggy clo <u>th</u>          |
| 2. <u>stop</u> <u>that</u>     | 27. <u>fa</u> thers              |
| 3. <u>th</u> ank <u>S</u> ue   | 28. close <u>th</u> under        |
| 4. <u>kiss</u> <u>Th</u> ad    | 29. <u>nin</u> th Nursery        |
| 5. <u>the</u> <u>sk</u> unk    | 30. <u>stop</u> <u>them</u>      |
| 6. <u>sweet</u> <u>th</u> ing  | 31. <u>eight</u> h <u>s</u> coop |
| 7. <u>with</u> <u>S</u> ally   | 32. <u>sock</u> <u>wid</u> th    |
| 8. <u>kids</u> <u>th</u> rew   | 33. <u>bath</u> <u>st</u> ore    |
| 9. <u>the</u> <u>w</u> ords    | 34. <u>sandy</u> <u>pa</u> th    |
| 10. <u>sell</u> <u>th</u> at   | 35. <u>th</u> ins                |
| 11. <u>mo</u> thers            | 36. nice <u>th</u> ought         |
| 12. <u>his</u> <u>ba</u> th    | 37. <u>four</u> th <u>st</u> ep  |
| 13. <u>mo</u> th <u>ba</u> lls | 38. <u>kiss</u> <u>Th</u> eo     |

# Generalization/Transfer Phase

## Short Contrasts

### Prevocalic and Postvocalic Target Phones /s,z,Th,th/ Contrasting Sentences

1. We saw the man.
2. He licked the sucker.
3. My kids thought about it.
4. I love those deer.
5. Both Sue and Mary left.
6. She kissed Thad.
7. The skunk ran.
8. We went with Sally.
9. The kids played.
10. Bob thinks hard.
11. She saw the tree.
12. Mothers work hard.

## Prevocalic and Postvocalic Target Phones

/s,z,Th,th/ contrasting sentences

1. The singer sang both songs.
2. My tooth sank into the sucker.
3. My kids thought nice thoughts.
4. I miss thinking about the Red Sox.
5. Both Sue and Beth spoke well.
6. Sue wanted to kiss Thad.
7. The skunks threw a fit.
8. With Sally, both sounded good.
9. The kids threw up on Sunday.
10. Chris thinks the test was hard.
11. Beth saw the accident.

If the student can do these sentences at a normal conversational rate, they are pretty much remediated. If not, I will have them come in and bring their reading book and talk about their classroom stories using the tally counter to monitor the /s,z/ sounds and have them practice reading/conversation at home using the tally counter.

To be remediated, I use a 50 target sound conversational sample. If they are at 75% or better, I will typically dismiss but continue to monitor them to make sure they don't slip back. Usually, they will continue to improve on their own.

## CVCV List for Childhood Apraxia of Speech

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Practice Phase  
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CVCV Supplement Lists Select phones to exclude (from the panels on the right) and then press the 'Create' button below to dynamically generate a new CVCV supplement list.

CREATE LIST

CURRENT CLIENT CHANGE ADD NEW

Default Client  
no@email.com  
Notes about this client go here  
EDIT

CURRENT PROFILE  
Default profile  
SAVE

Profile  
Lists

Vowels to exclude ALL CLEAR

ee - beet a - bat oo - boot  
i - bit u - but oo - book  
ae - bait o - bought oe - boat  
e - bet

Consonants to exclude ALL CLEAR

p f th t sh k h  
b v Th d zh g  
m s r ng  
w z y  
ch  
j  
n  
l

The CVCV lists have been used successfully with children who have developmental apraxia (DAS). All sounds they cannot say are eliminated from the lists. Here they can only say the /p,b,m,w,t,d,n/ sounds as well as the vowel sounds.

## CVCV Supplement Lists

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## List #1

1.	□□□	beebee	bibi	□□□	meme	mɛmɛ
2.	□□□	mimi	mimi	□□□	wawa	wɛwɛ
3.	□□□	waewae	wɛwɛɪ	□□□	dudu	dʌdʌ
4.	□□□	dede	dɛdɛ	□□□	nono	nɔnɔ
5.	□□□	nana	nɛnɛ	□□□	doedoe	doudou
6.	□□□	dudu	dʌdʌ	□□□	woowo	wuwu
7.	□□□	wowo	wɔwɔ	□□□	mOOmOO	mumu
8.	□□□	moemoe	moumou	□□□	booboo	bubu
9.	□□□	booboo	bubu	□□□	poepoe	poupou
10.	□□□	booboo	bubu	□□□	bobo	bɔbɔ
11.	□□□	moemoe	moumou	□□□	mumu	mʌmʌ
12.	□□□	wowo	wɔwɔ	□□□	wawa	wɛwɛ

List 1 is reduplication. That is typically what these kids can do (like *mama*, but they have trouble with *mommy*). After doing this list, these kids are usually motivated as they have trouble being understood almost all the time and now they just completed something perfectly.

List 2 is where they break down as it has random vowel sounds. But I have found that with practice, they usually pick this up pretty fast because the consonants stay duplicated.

## CVCV Supplement Lists

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## List #2

1.	□□□	boebOO	boubu	□□□	momOO	mɔmu
2.	□□□	moemee	moumi	□□□	wewi	wɛwi
3.	□□□	wOOwOO	wuwu	□□□	dedoe	dɛdɔ
4.	□□□	dOOdae	duder	□□□	nOOnu	nʌnʌ
5.	□□□	ninoo	nɪnu	□□□	didOO	dɪdu
6.	□□□	deedae	dider	□□□	wOOwi	wuwi
7.	□□□	wowae	wɔwɛɪ	□□□	momoe	mɔmou
8.	□□□	meemoe	mimou	□□□	boobi	bubi
9.	□□□	boobe	bubɛ	□□□	pepo	pɛpɔ
10.	□□□	poopi	pupi	□□□	boebOO	boubu
11.	□□□	bobu	bɔbʌ	□□□	moomoo	mumu
12.	□□□	meemu	mimʌ	□□□	wiwee	wɪwi

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### List #3

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- |     |            |        |            |        |
|-----|------------|--------|------------|--------|
| 1.  | □□□ weepēe | wipi   | □□□ maewae | meiwei |
| 2.  | □□□ biwi   | biwi   | □□□ beme   | beme   |
| 3.  | □□□ daenae | demer  | □□□ wupu   | wʌpʌ   |
| 4.  | □□□ nede   | nede   | □□□ dowo   | dʊwʊ   |
| 5.  | □□□ waba   | wæbæ   | □□□ woewoe | wouwou |
| 6.  | □□□ wuwu   | wʌwʌ   | □□□ moomoo | mumu   |
| 7.  | □□□ bopo   | bɔpɔ   | □□□ dOOwOO | duwu   |
| 8.  | □□□ woenoe | wounou | □□□ woonoo | wunu   |
| 9.  | □□□ woodoo | wudu   | □□□ poedoe | poudou |
| 10. | □□□ pOOwOO | puwu   | □□□ nomo   | nɔmɔ   |
| 11. | □□□ poonoo | punu   | □□□ wumu   | wʌmʌ   |
| 12. | □□□ doewoe | douwou | □□□ pada   | pædæ   |
| 13. | □□□ domo   | dɔmɔ   | □□□ bede   | bede   |

### CVCV Supplement Lists

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### List #4

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- |     |            |       |            |       |
|-----|------------|-------|------------|-------|
| 1.  | □□□ bOOmoe | bumou | □□□ waewo  | weiwɔ |
| 2.  | □□□ nidOO  | nidu  | □□□ deemoo | dimu  |
| 3.  | □□□ denu   | dɛnʌ  | □□□ mawOO  | mæwu  |
| 4.  | □□□ dedOO  | dɛdu  | □□□ nini   | nini  |
| 5.  | □□□ nume   | nʌmɛ  | □□□ widoo  | widu  |
| 6.  | □□□ poepa  | poupæ | □□□ moedi  | mouɔi |
| 7.  | □□□ poone  | punɛ  | □□□ pube   | pʌbɛ  |
| 8.  | □□□ niwoe  | niwou | □□□ woebe  | woubɛ |
| 9.  | □□□ boopOO | bupu  | □□□ bonae  | bɔner |
| 10. | □□□ mapu   | mæpʌ  | □□□ puwOO  | pʌwu  |
| 11. | □□□ poopu  | pupʌ  | □□□ dowi   | dɔwi  |
| 12. | □□□ weme   | wɛmɛ  | □□□ bapee  | bæpi  |

List 3 goes back to systematic vowels and has random consonants. After this list, I've found that these kids start talking a lot and being understood much better. If they are able to use CVCVs and use the correct vowel sounds, they can be much better understood. The example I use where the kid is watching his mom feed a strawberry to his baby sister and says, "Woo, mommy, baby ee tawbe" can be understood in context and you start to get the normal parent/child interactions that have been missing because the child either didn't talk (since no one understands him) or when he did talk, he wasn't understood. This increase in talking often leads to other sound development which can then be added into the lists and practiced. With List 4, everything is random.

# CVCV /t,d,k,g/ Contrasts

The CVCV lists are also useful for contrasting phonological processes. For example, in this case the student fronts. All sounds are eliminated except for the /t,d,k,g/. When you get to List 3 (on the next page), you start getting front to back and back to front contrasts (like *kee-dee, kede, kata, gutu*, etc.).

When contrasting the front to back sounds, I really exaggerate the mouth opening with the stable jaw for the back /k,g/ sounds and the mouth closing for the /t,d/ sounds. I will also use some visual cues touching my larynx for the back sounds with my mouth open and touching my top lip for the front sounds with the mouth pretty much closed.

**CVCV Preschool Supplement Lists** **SATPAC**

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**List #1**

1. □□□ teetee	titi	□□□ kaekae	keiker
2. □□□ didi	didɪ	□□□ gege	gege
3. □□□ kaekae	keiker	□□□ kaka	kækæ
4. □□□ gege	gege	□□□ dudu	dʌdʌ
5. □□□ kaka	kækæ	□□□ toto	tɔtɔ
6. □□□ dudu	dʌdʌ	□□□ doedoe	doudou
7. □□□ toto	tɔtɔ	□□□ kookoo	kuku
8. □□□ doedoe	doudou	□□□ gOOgOO	gugu
9. □□□ kookoo	kuku	□□□ kookoo	kuku
10. □□□ gOOgOO	gugu	□□□ doedoe	doudou
11. □□□ kookoo	kuku	□□□ toto	tɔtɔ
12. □□□ doedoe	doudou	□□□ dudu	dʌdʌ

**List #2**

1.	□□□ tooto	tutə	□□□ goegae	gougeɪ
2.	□□□ dadae	dædeɪ	□□□ kooki	kukɪ
3.	□□□ keeke	kikɛ	□□□ didoe	dɪdou
4.	□□□ gigoo	gɪgu	□□□ tOOtOO	tutu
5.	□□□ kaeki	keɪkɪ	□□□ dude	dʌde
6.	□□□ doedae	doudeɪ	□□□ keekOO	kiku
7.	□□□ teto	tɛtə	□□□ gage	gæge
8.	□□□ deedi	dɪdɪ	□□□ kOOka	kukæ
9.	□□□ kika	kɪkæ	□□□ dada	dædæ
10.	□□□ gugae	gʌgeɪ	□□□ tetu	tɛtʌ
11.	□□□ kookoe	kukou	□□□ dedOO	dɛdu
12.	□□□ dadoe	dædou	□□□ keekae	kikeɪ
13.	□□□ didee	dɪdɪ	□□□ gega	gege
14.	□□□ kikOO	kɪku	□□□ kookoo	kuku
15.	□□□ neeaOO	neɪu	□□□ didoo	dɪdu

**List #3**

1.	□□□ keedee	kɪdɪ	□□□ daegae	deɪgeɪ
2.	□□□ kiki	kɪkɪ	□□□ teke	tɛke
3.	□□□ gaekae	geɪkeɪ	□□□ gaga	gæge
4.	□□□ kede	kɛde	□□□ tuku	tʌkʌ
5.	□□□ kata	kætæ	□□□ koto	kɔtə
6.	□□□ gutu	gʌtʌ	□□□ goekoe	goukou
7.	□□□ dogo	dɔgə	□□□ kookoo	kuku
8.	□□□ koedoe	koudeɪ	□□□ dOOgOO	dugu
9.	□□□ kookoo	kuku	□□□ gookoo	guku
10.	□□□ kOOdOO	kudu	□□□ toekoe	toukou
11.	□□□ tookoo	tuku	□□□ dogo	dɔgə
12.	□□□ koekoe	koukou	□□□ gudu	gʌdʌ
13.	□□□ gogo	gɔgə	□□□ data	dætæ
14.	□□□ gudu	gʌdʌ	□□□ dege	dege
15.	□□□ naka	nækæ	□□□ taekae	tɛkeɪ



**List #4**

1.	□□□ dOOge	dugɛ	□□□ dOOgoe	dugou
2.	□□□ tigoe	tigou	□□□ dookee	duki
3.	□□□ keeti	kitɪ	□□□ doetoo	doutu
4.	□□□ gekOO	gɛku	□□□ dotoo	dɔtu
5.	□□□ gaeku	geɪkʌ	□□□ dugae	dʌgeɪ
6.	□□□ gada	gædæ	□□□ tugoe	tʌgou
7.	□□□ goeda	goudæ	□□□ koti	kɔti
8.	□□□ togi	tɔgi	□□□ dooko	duko
9.	□□□ kOOtOO	kutu	□□□ giti	giɪ
10.	□□□ taedoe	teɪdou	□□□ kigee	kiɪgi
11.	□□□ deeto	deɪtɔ	□□□ koogoo	kuɡu
12.	□□□ goedoe	goudou	□□□ doodOO	duɒdu
13.	□□□ teekee	teɪki	□□□ keegae	keɪgeɪ
14.	□□□ dutOO	dʌtu	□□□ tugoe	tʌgou
15.	□□□ nina	niɪnæ	□□□ daeto	deɪtɔ

List 4 all the vowels and consonants are random.

There is also a supplement with 3-element cluster lists from the Complexity Approach which posits that if you practice 3-element clusters, then you will get 2-element clusters without needing to practice them. Here are the two lists that are produced (on the next page).

## 3-Element Clusters

List #1		List #2	
1.	□□□ skwam      skwæm	□□□ skwam      skwæm	
2.	□□□ skwuf      skwʌf	□□□ skwaz      skwæz	
3.	□□□ skwov      skwɔv	□□□ skwuj      skwʌdz	
4.	□□□ skwoet      skwout	□□□ skwOOm      skwum	
5.	□□□ skwood      skwud	□□□ skwich      skwitʃ	
6.	□□□ skwOOs      skwus	□□□ skwooj      skwudz	
7.	□□□ skwooz      skwuz	□□□ skwej      skwɛdz	
8.	□□□ skwoech      skwoutʃ	□□□ skwuf      skwʌf	
9.	□□□ skwoj      skwɔdz	□□□ skweez      skwiz	
10.	□□□ skwun      skwʌn	□□□ skwes      skwɛs	
11.	□□□ skwal      skwæl	□□□ skwiv      skwiv	
12.	□□□ skwek      skwɛk	□□□ skwaem      skweim	

Here are some other items which I think are essential for therapy. I put in this picture because when I was working, there were days when I just felt like sleeping and not getting up. But I always did because it is essential that we be there for our students. They won't improve unless we work with them.

## Other Essentials



## Other Essentials

- A Solid Foundation
- Practice
- Homework
- Systematic Therapy
- Hierarchy
- Change Takes Time

### A Solid Foundation



Before I took oral-motor classes, I had no concept of this. So, for kids who had a frontal lisp, I asked them to keep their teeth closed so they wouldn't stick their tongue out. When it got to conversation, it all fell apart because I did not help them establish the correct foundation. It wasn't until I took O-M classes that I learned about stabilizing of the articulators and in the case of a frontal lisp, the lateral margins of the tongue are stabilized on the back molars and the tongue tip is differentiated from the stable back of the tongue by lifting up.

### Practice



### 2 Types of Feedback

- Knowledge of results – e.g. “correct”
- Knowledge of performance – “you kept your tongue wide and on your top teeth”
- This relates to Metacognition where the student has to be able to articulate Knowledge of performance.



In the video, it shows how the SLP is giving either no feedback or sporadic feedback. I have found that when an error occurs, it is important to give feedback. I typically say, "I heard EE-A-SHA" (supposed to be EERSHA). The student has the opportunity to self-correct and if she can't, I can then give instruction.

## Mandatory Homework



I give HW sheets weekly but I don't require that they be returned. So how do I know if they are doing their HW? I gauge it by their progress. If they are progressing that's all I care about. For my students who are not progressing, I will call home after a month or 2 and talk to a parent. I have typically found that the parents are not getting the HW papers I send home. I explain to them about the SATPAC Program and the crazy nonsense words and tell them not to worry about how you pronounce the words but to pay attention to the target sound. I also will email the HW if they have an email address.

## Mandatory Homework

- Student is in a group for 30 min./wk
- Without any homework, he spends one half of 1% of his waking time working on his speech. The odds are that the other 99.5% when he isn't practicing, he is making incorrect productions.
- Just 5-10 min. a day can move the student more quickly into transfer and lead to ultimate success

Client Default Client | STEPHEN SACKS | FEEDBACK

beetseet

Practice Phase SATPAC

List #1			List #2		
1	□□□	beetseet bitsit	□□□	beetseet bitsit	
2	□□□	mitseet mitsit	□□□	beetsid bitsid	
3	□□□	waetseet wertsit	□□□	beetsaech bitserʃ	
4	□□□	fetseet fetsit	□□□	beetsej bitsɛdʒ	
5	□□□	vatseet vætsit	□□□	beetsan bitsæn	
6	□□□	thutseet θʌtsit	□□□	beetsul bitsʌl	
7	□□□	Thotseet ðɔtsit	□□□	beetsosh bitsɔʃ	
8	□□□	toetseet toutsit	□□□	beetsoezh bitsouʒ	
9	□□□	dootseet dutsit	□□□	beetsook bitsuk	
10	□□□	chOOtseet ʃʊtsit	□□□	beetsOOg bitsug	
11	□□□	jootseet dʒʊtsit	□□□	beetsoong bitsuŋ	
12	□□□	noetseet noutsit	□□□	beetsoet bitsout	
13	□□□	lotseet lɔtsit	□□□	beetsoTh bitsɔð	
14	□□□	shutseet ʃʌtsit	□□□	beetsuth hitsʌθ	

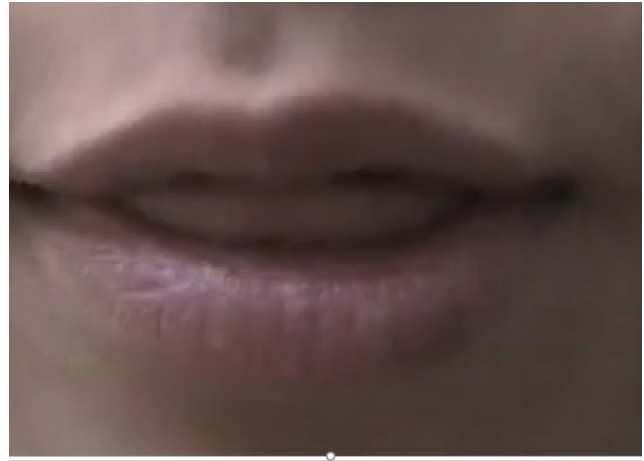
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## Systematic Therapy

Intratherapy Generalization Phase **SATPAC**

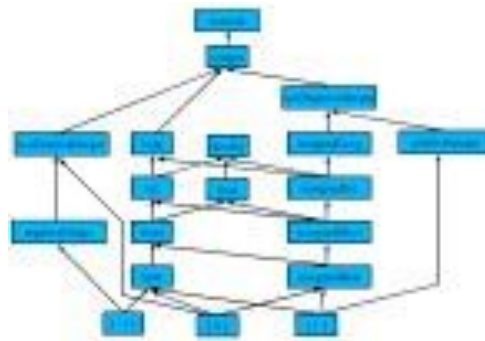
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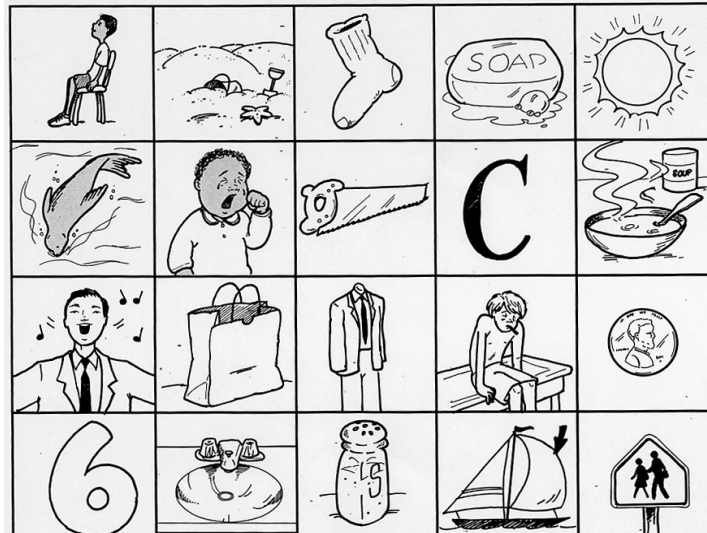
Pulling out an artic. deck with your target sound and then presenting the photos with no rhyme or reason to the presentation is not systematic therapy. The emphasis when you are establishing a sound is to develop a consistent motor pattern through lots and lots of correct repetitions. In SATPAC, List 1, all the sounds end in TSEET taking advantage of using a facilitating context, coarticulation with the target sound in the middle of the word, etc. Note that in List 2, the change takes place after the /s/ sound which is more difficult but this is the typical starting place for most therapy.



This is a student who has just begun practicing the /s/ sound at the 2 syllable level in BEETSEET. You can notice how slow we are going as he repeats the word and for that reason, we are not using a metronome. Shortly thereafter, I asked him to repeat sentences that followed this form: It's a s\_\_\_. You will notice that he always gets the first /s/ correct and always lisps on the second /s/. The reason for that is he is using the abutting /t/ sound in *It's* to facilitate the correct production but for the second /s/, there is no abutting /t/ sound so he goes back to his established pattern of the lisp.

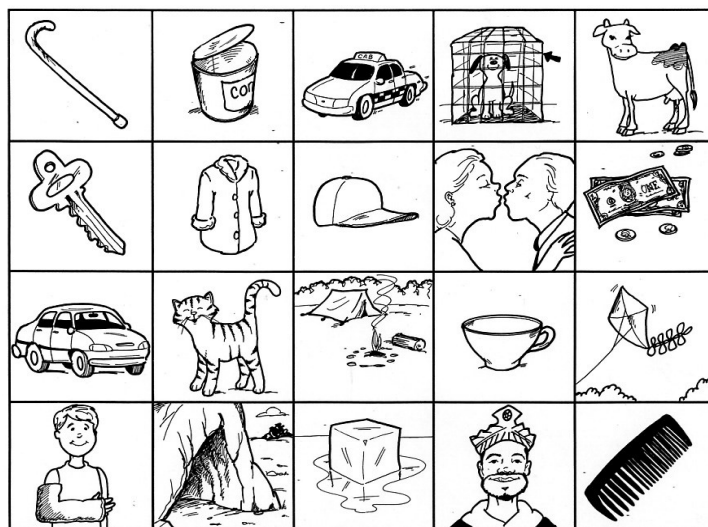
## Hierarchy





Following a hierarchy for /s/ might be something like this: 1) start with the SATPAC BEET-SEET lists 1 and 2. 2) If they can do List 2 easily, you might try something like the SPARC-R pictures and say BEETSIT, BEETSAND, BEETSOCK, etc. 3) Then without the abutting /t/ like A SIT, A SAND, etc. 4) Then sentences with one /s/ I LIKE A SIT. I LIKE A SAND, etc. 5) Then 2 /s/ sounds with an easy one IT'S and a more difficult one: IT'S A SIT, IT'S A SAND, etc. 6) Then two prevocalic /s/ sounds I SEE A SIT, I SEE A SAND, etc. 7) Then mixed sentences THE BOY LIKES TO SIT.HE PLAYS IN THE SAND,etc.

From there, you might then go to the SATPAC Generalization/Transfer phase. The point here is that you want to use your professional judgment and probe to see how fast they can go, how much of SATPAC they can skip (if any) as the goal is remediation as quickly as possible and not to go through the SATPAC Program in its entirety.



## /k/ Hierarchy

- 1) OK + /k/ word
- 2) /k/ word
- 3) A /k/ word
- 4) I see a /k/ word
- 5) Random sentences with 1 /k/ word.
- 6) I like a /k/ word.
- 7) I can see a /k/ word.
- 8) (next slide)

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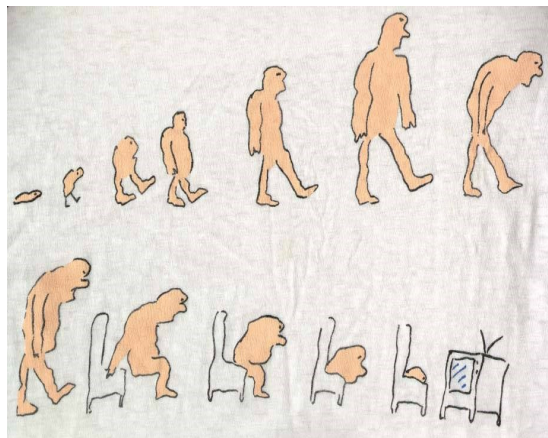
## Prevocalic and Postvocalic Target Phones Fronting/Backing contrasting sentences

1. The cook got burned.
2. The kid took a big bite.
3. Mike got kissed.
4. Matt called time out.
5. A tiger killed two ducks.
6. Look to the right.
7. A fat kid kicked me.
8. Rick talked to eight girls.
9. Fruit comes to town on Tuesday.
10. I dug tunnels.
11. Vic painted two portraits.
12. The dog took different paths.

And finally, longer contrasting sentences are presented if appropriate.

Change takes place over time. Seeing a student once a week can be extremely effective if the student is diligently doing their homework. I have had numerous students who have thrived with just receiving therapy for 15 minutes a week individually and homework during the week. Having a week in between therapy sessions allows the student to develop the new consistent motor patterns that are necessary for change.

## Change Over Time





## Oral-Motor Principles

### 1. Definition of Oral-Motor Skills-process of facilitating oral (jaw, lip, tongue) movements

Must have a purpose-doing oral exercises without a specific purpose will not benefit the student

### 2. General Goals

Increase awareness of the oral mechanism and its parts

To normalize oral –tactile sensitivity

To inhibit abnormal and to facilitate normal oral movement patterns

To increase separation and stabilization of oral movements

To achieve successful speech sound production

### 3. We learn through our senses

In terms of speech, we process sensory information (auditory, tactile/ kinesthetic to a lesser extent visual) which results in speech production

### 4. Movement Patterns Become Auto-Organizational

When the movements have been learned (typically through repeated trials), movement patterns no longer require sensory input

### 5. What Boshart calls Oral Sensory-Motor Therapy Emphasizes the Tactile Sense

a. touch stimulates movement

b. touch provides important and specific feedback about movement

### 6. Oral-Motor therapy develops physiological capacity

a. definition- Nurtures the development of sensory reception, modifies muscle substance (strength, tone, and endurance) and facilitates and shapes oral stabilization and separation skills (all critical for normal speech).

b. extent of therapeutic success is dependent on the client's fundamental cognitive, respiratory and sensory-motor capacities.

7. Oral-motor sensory therapy requires repetitive practice of the movements

- a. Repetition of movements increases awareness, voluntary control, strength, skill and fluency of movement
- b. We ask clients to repeat desired movements and we avoid having them repeat undesired movements

8. Therapy must be continuous (on-going), sequential and cumulative (simpler to more advanced levels of skill) with development taking time

9. Strength, Tone and Endurance

- a. strength is necessary but how much is open to debate
- b. tone-flaccid tongue—articulator contacts may be imprecise (mushy speech with / t/ using the blade and not the tip)
- c. goal is not only dexterity but endurance-which occurs through improved muscle tone through repetitive practice

10. Oral Stabilization

- a. to achieve refined, small muscle-movements, one must stabilize a non-moving part near the moving part (stability leads to mobility)

lingual stabilization-the sides of the tongue contact and anchor against the insides of the top, back teeth during production of most front tongue (t,d,n,s,sh,ch,etc.) and back tongue (k,g,ng,r) speech sounds. All tongue sounds use this stabilized tongue except for L and TH.

Physiological Economy-articulators are within close range of the corresponding articulator contacts (e.g., “Candy eats a green snake”).

- a. uneconomical speech examples are a lisp and retroflex /r/

11. Oral Separation

- a. The oral mechanism first functions as a single unit. Over time, the jaw, lips and tongue dissociate their movements one from another and become independent moving parts. Independent use of each part is necessary for production of mature speech.

- b. jaw stabilization-biting on a craft stick allowing for separation of the tongue from the jaw-/k,r/

- c. tongue stabilization-sides of tongue anchor on top, back teeth allowing for separation between the front and back of the tongue (EET, EEK)

- d. lips remain basically inactive while the tongue produces speech sounds (lip-tongue separation NEE-o/near); lips are rounding and jaw and tongue both drop. In this case, only the lips should move for /r/ and the jaw and tongue are stabilized.