## The Speech Motor Learning (SML) Approach to treating Apraxia of Speech Anita van der Merwe

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## Examples: Rating the ease of production of vowels and consonants and determining the first Stages of Treatment (For the purpose of clarity the rating of all sounds and all the stages are not presented)

Speech sounds are presented orthographically in the example. Clinicians may use phonetic symbols appropriate to the language of choice.

An exact rating is not always possible. A sound can be noted as a 1 to 2 sound, or 2 to 3, or 3 to 4. Added sounds are underlined for clarity.

Sound	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage
	rating	rating	rating	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
р	4	3	4			р									
р	2	3	2		<u>b</u>	b									
W	2	3	3			W									
m	1	1	1	m	m	m									
f	2	1	2	f	f	f									
wh															
t															
S															
d	1	1	1	d	d	d									
r															
1															
n	2	2	2		<u>n</u>	n									
sh															
j															
k															
g/x															
g															
ng															
h	2	3	2		<u>h</u>	h									

<sup>\*</sup>Rate ease of production of vowels (V), consonants (C), diphthongs and clusters (CC) on a scale 1 - 4.

<sup>1 =</sup> easy and produced correctly most of the time.

<sup>2 =</sup> quite easy and usually correct.

<sup>3 =</sup> quite difficult to produce and usually incorrect.

<sup>4 =</sup> very difficult and consistently incorrect.

## Continue: Examples: Rating the ease of production of vowels and consonants and determining the Stages of Treatment

Sound	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage
	rating	rating	rating	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
ie	1	1	1	ie					ie						
ee	2	3	2						<u>ee</u>						
е	1	2	1	е					е						
а	1	1	1	а					а						
aa	2	2	3						<u>aa</u>						
0	1	1	1	0					0						
00	2	3	2						00						
oe															
i															
У	2	3	3						<u>y</u>						
ou															
sl													SW		
SW	3	3	3										sn		
sn	3	3	3												
st															
sk															
sm															
sp	4	3	3										sp		
kr	4	4	4												
kl															

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## Continue: Rating form: Rating the ease of production of vowels and consonants and determining the Stages of Treatment

Sound	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Stage											
	rating	rating	rating	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
kw															
kn															
gr															
gl fr															
fr															
fl															
pr															
pl															
tr															
tw															
bl															
br															
dr															
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vr															
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spr															
spl skr															
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