

100 Frequently Used Core Words

Interjections (social words)

| | |
|------------|----------|
| yes | no |
| thank you | please |
| hi / hello | good-bye |

Pronouns

| | |
|-----|------|
| I | me |
| my | mine |
| you | it |
| he | she |
| we | they |

Question Words

| | |
|-------|------|
| what | when |
| where | who |
| why | how |

Preverbs (helping words)

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|------|------|
| be | is |
| am | are |
| was | were |
| do | did |
| can | have |
| will | |

Verbs (action words)

| | |
|---------------------|-------|
| go | stop |
| turn | make |
| look | see |
| find | put |
| open | close |
| eat | drink |
| get | help |
| want | need |
| say | tell |
| come | read |
| like | feel |
| color | let's |
| work | play |
| finished / all done | |

Adjectives (descriptive words)

| | |
|--------|-----------|
| more | one |
| big | little |
| fast | slow |
| same | different |
| pretty | red |
| blue | yellow |
| good | bad |
| new | old |
| happy | sad |

Prepositions (placing words)

| | |
|-------|------|
| on | off |
| in | out |
| up | down |
| to | for |
| under | with |

Determiners (pointer words)

| | |
|------|------|
| this | that |
| some | all |

Conjunctions (connecting words)

| | |
|-----|-----|
| and | but |
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Adverbs (tell when, where, how)

| | |
|-------------|-------|
| not / don't | now |
| here | there |
| away | again |

Word List based on:

- Banajee List of Toddler Vocabulary
- Dolch Pre-Primer & Primer
- Gail Van Tatenhove First 50 Words
- LAMP Starter Words
- PRC Core Starter Sets
- Clinical Judgment

Resources

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