Chapter 9, Exercise 1: L1 Acquisition • Overextensions

When children acquire lexical terms, they will frequently overextend or apply the term to those items only marginally related to it. Each term is an example of a child’s overextensions. Consider each example and identify the basis of each overextension.

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<th>Term</th>
<th>Referent</th>
<th>Overextension</th>
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<td>1. ball</td>
<td>round plaything</td>
<td>picture of a ball, globe, orange, sun</td>
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<td>2. kitty</td>
<td>small feline pet</td>
<td>dog, squirrel, rabbit fur coat, feather duster</td>
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<td>3. moon</td>
<td>celestial object</td>
<td>drawing of the moon in children’s book, dinner plate, streetlight, the letter O</td>
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<td>4. bird</td>
<td>avian creature</td>
<td>plane, dragonfly, helicopter, tree-bound plastic bag</td>
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<td>5. baby</td>
<td>self-reflection</td>
<td>all babies, all small children, baby dolls, mirror</td>
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<td>6. chair</td>
<td>high chair</td>
<td>all chairs, all sofas, car seat, toilet, wheelchair</td>
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<td>7. bark</td>
<td>dog noise</td>
<td>cow’s moo, cat’s meow, car horn, owl’s screech</td>
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8. all gone cheerios finished putting toys away, toilet flushing, hide and seek

9. candy candy chocolate chips, raisins, antacid tablets, breath mints, aspirin

10. hot gas oven burner candle, fireplace screen, cigarette lighter, refrigerator handle, drawer pull, water faucet
Chapter 9, Exercise 2: L1 Acquisition • Phonetics

The phonetic transcriptions represent the pronunciation errors of child speakers. Consider the IPA transcriptions and identify the phonetic processes at work in each example.

1. toy   [dɔɪ]  ____________________________
2. apple [æbəl] __________________________
3. play  [pweɪ] __________________________
4. teapot [dɪpə] _________________________
5. bath  [bæt]  __________________________
6. smack [mæk]  __________________________
7. mitten [mɪɾən] _________________________
8. tub   [dəb]  __________________________
9. kitty [kɪdi]  __________________________
10. brother [bwʌdə] _______________________
11. right [wait] _________________________
12. snake [nek]  __________________________
13. popsicle [pɔsɪklə] ____________________
14. sheep [sɪp]  __________________________
15. ride  [waɪd]  __________________________

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