Goldman-Fristoe Test of Articulation (GFTA-2)

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The Goldman Fristoe Test of Articulation-2 is a systematic means of assessing an individual's articulation of the consonant sounds of Standard American English.

[Descriptive information about the individual's articulation skills is obtained through three sections of the GFTA-2: Sounds-in-Words, Sounds-in-Sentences, and Stimulability. Normative information is available for interpreting the results of the Sounds-in-Words section.]

GFTA-2 Sounds-in-Words uses 34 picture plates and 53 target words to elicit the articulation of 61 consonants sounds in the initial, medial, and/or final position and 16 consonant clusters (blends) in the initial position.

[Sounds-in-Sentences provides a semi-structured observation of the examinee's spontaneous sound production used in connected speech by asking the examinee to retell one or two simple, picture-based stories that the examiner has previously read aloud.]

[Stimulability can be used to assess the examinee's ability to correctly produce a previously misarticulated sound when asked to watch and listen to the examiner's production of the sound.]

Sounds-in-Words was normed on a nationwide sample of 2,350 examinees. The sample was stratified to match the most recent U.S. Census data on gender, race/ethnicity, region, and mother's education level. Norms are available for ages 2.0 to 21.11.