

***Application of Hand Puppets to Develop Language and Social
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ABSTRACT

Background: Children experience growth and development including physical motor development, cognitive, artistic development, social emotional development, speech development in general at the age of 4-6 years children always ask questions, pay attention and talk about everything they hear and see. according to riskesdas 2018 there are 69.9% developmental disorders in children. indonesia health profile there are 12.8%-28.5%. Central Java there are 33.4%. sragen 39.32%. miri district 107.7%. **Objective:** Knowing the results of the application of hand puppets on language development. knowing the results before and after the application of hand puppets. **Method:** the effect of hand puppet play therapy is carried out on pre-school children with descriptive methods is a study conducted in a way before therapy is given. **Results:** Language and social development increased in the 2 respondents, the development of children's growth and development was carried out by playing hand puppets which were given 7 times in 2 weeks with a time of 15 minutes. **Conclusion:** the application of playing with tanagan dolls can improve language and socialization skills.

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