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Syntax

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Synonyms

[Grammar](#); [Sentence structure](#)

Definition

Syntax is the set of rules and principles that govern the organization of words into sentences in any individual language. In typical development, adult-like syntax is acquired by age 5. In ASD, it has long been thought that syntax is relatively spared and usually on par with cognitive development. However, recent research suggests that a subgroup of speakers with ASD have syntactic deficits above and beyond their cognitive

limitations that resemble the deficits seen in specific language disorders.

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