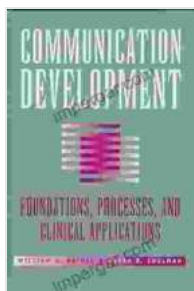


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## Foundations of Language Development

The foundations of language development are laid in the first few years of life. During this time, children learn to recognize and produce speech sounds, understand the meaning of words, and use language to

communicate with others. There are a number of factors that influence language development, including genetics, environment, and exposure to language.

## **Processes of Language Development**

Language development is a complex process that involves a number of different subprocesses. These subprocesses include:

- **Phonology:** The study of speech sounds.
- **Morphology:** The study of word structure.
- **Syntax:** The study of sentence structure.
- **Semantics:** The study of word meaning.
- **Pragmatics:** The study of language use in social contexts.

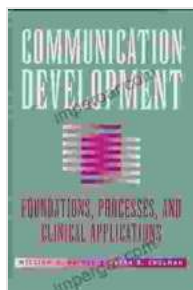
## **Clinical Applications**

Speech-language pathologists use their knowledge of language development to assess and treat children with language disorders. There are a variety of different assessment tools that can be used to identify language disorders. Once a language disorder has been identified, the speech-language pathologist will develop an intervention plan to help the child develop their communication skills.

There are a number of different types of intervention strategies that can be used to treat language disorders. These strategies include:

- **Articulation therapy:** Helps children to produce speech sounds correctly.
- **Language therapy:** Helps children to understand and use language.
- **Pragmatics therapy:** Helps children to use language in social contexts.

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