Outline

Foundations of Cognitive-Play-**Literacy Relationship: Frameworks for Assessment and Intervention**

Dynamic systems theory: integrating nature and nurture theories

The World Health Organization's International Classification of Functioning

A performance competence framework for assessment and intervention

Social-Emotional/Cognitive Precursors to Play: Birth-17 months

Neurotypical and atypical patterns of socialemotional development

Environmental influences on socialemotional development and play

Temperamental variations in children Presymbolic play

Development of Pretend Play Dimensions (17 months – 5 years): **Relationship of Play Dimensions to** Language and Literacy

Theory of Mind Dimension (understanding thoughts and feelings of self and others)

Decontextualization Dimension (reduced use of props in play)

Thematic Dimension (from familiar to novel pretend themes)

Organization Dimension (sequencing and planning of play)

Interventions to Promote Playing to Learn

Setting goals for playful learning

Promote literate-style language through play

Develop phonological awareness skills through playful practices

Promote thematic pretend play to develop foundations for language and literacy

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Skills You Can Expect to Leave With:

- 1. Determine how play deficits cause intellectual, social, emotional and physical harm to children.
- 2. Articulate the development and interrelationships of cognition, play, language, social-emotional skills and literacy.
- 3. Assess a child's play development and language skills using the Westby Play Scale.
- 4. Recommend appropriate activities and strategies to develop young children's language/ social-emotional/play skills at each level.
- 5. Employ play to promote the cognitive, language, social-emotional and self-regulation skills that underlie children's effective social interactions and literacy comprehension.
- 6. Establish how play can facilitate self-regulation, empathy and the foundations for reading comprehension.



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Speaker



CAROL WESTBY, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, is an internationally-renowned expert on play assessment and development, language-literacy relationships, current play theories, and the development of the four dimensions of play in young children (birth-5 years).

She is a fellow of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association and holds Specialty Recognition in Child Language. She received the Distinguished Alumnus Award from the University of Iowa's Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology, and the ASHA Award for Contributions to Multicultural Affairs.

Dr. Westby began her career in New York where she developed her renowned Play

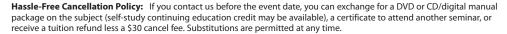
Scale. She has written and implemented projects to support personnel preparation, clinical service, and research, including Project PLAY (Play and Language Attunement in Young Children), that trained caregivers to increase the development of play, theory of mind, and language. And she has consulted with the New Mexico Preschool for the Deaf, which employs a play-based curriculum.

Dr. Westby has been a visiting professor at Flinders University in South Australia where she worked on a language/literacy curriculum, and at Brigham Young University where she consulted on SEEL, a systematic and engaging emergent literacy program that employs playful practice.

Dr. Westby has published and presented nationally and internationally on play, language-literacy relationships, narrative/expository development and facilitation, theory of mind, assessment and facilitation of written language, metacognition/executive function, and issues in assessment and intervention with culturally/linguistically diverse populations.

Financial: Carol Westby is a consultant for Bilingual Multicultural Services. Dr. Westby receives a speaking honorarium from PESI, Inc. She is the author of numerous chapters and articles; and is published by various publishers including Jones & Bartlett

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