Communication Development Chart for Blind & Visually Impaired Babies & Children

Age Group	Milestones
Birth to 3 months	Differentiated cries (has different cries for different wants)
	Responds to familiar voices
	Reacts to sudden sounds
	Ignores certain sounds & attends to others
4 to 6 months	Turns toward sound
	Makes 3 different vowel sounds
	Imitates vocalization
7 to 9 months	Produces vowel-consonant combinations (ex. ga-ga or ba-ba)
	Recognizes familiar sounds or phrases
10 to 12 months	Uses gestures
	Responds appropriately to familiar requests
	Jabbers expressively
	Begins to name things
13 to 15 months	Anticipates routines in response to a familiar request
	Uses 2 words appropriately
16 to 18 months	Uses words to make wants known
19 to 21 months	Uses 8 words appropriately
	Strings 2 words together (ex. "ma-ma bye-bye")
22 to 24 months	Uses 2 & 3 word sentences
<i>3 years</i>	Understands most simple language
	Communicates clearly
5 years	Talks about what he or she has done
	Asks many questions