

Selecting and Tracking Around Data: Latency Data

Latency Data Described: Latency data measures the amount of time between an event and the child's response with a primary focus on the amount of time between the two.



Think like this: Think stimulus-response. Latency data is the amount of time between two events: a cue, event, prompt, or stimulus and the child's reaction, response, or resulting behavior.

Common Uses of Latency Data: Latency data shows how much time passes between a prompt or other stimulus and the child's behavior or reaction. A few examples:

- How long it takes a child to begin a task after being instructed to do so.
- How late a child is for class after a late bell rings.
- How long it takes a child to join an activity after being instructed to do so.



Data (Numbers) Collected: Latency is recorded as an amount of time - Latency data shows the amount of time between the occurrence of the cue, event, or stimulus and the child's response, behavior, or reaction.

Sample Data Form

Describe the target behavior: Oliver takes a significant amount of time to respond to questions asked by teachers or peers.

Define the prompt, stimulus or cue: A teacher or peer asks a question.

Describe the learner's reaction, behavior, or response: Oliver takes a tremendous amount of time to respond to the question.

Accommodation: L135 - Clarify or restate question in different terms

Date	Baseline/ Treatment	Start Time (Optional)	End Time (Optional)	Latency	Notes:
1/19/24	B or T	1:15:30 pm	1:16:05 pm	0:00:35	Peer question to Oliver about this weekend. Oliver responded with "I don't know"
1/19/24	B or T	Not recorded		0:01:15	Individual instructional question posed to verify understanding.
1/22/24	B or T	Not recorded		0:00:20	Classroom question, restated after 15 seconds passed.
1/22/24	B or T	Not recorded		0:00:16	Paraprofessional restated a peer's question about what Oliver did last night after 10 seconds.



Latency Data Collection Form

Student Name: _____ Data Collected By: _____

Describe the target behavior: _____

Define the prompt, stimulus or cue: _____

Describe the learner's reaction, behavior, or response: _____

Accommodation: _____

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