## Eliciting Correct Production of the "th" Sound

The "th" sound is produced by placing the tongue between the upper and lower teeth, slightly sticking out of the space. Air is passed over the tongue to produce the sound. There is an unvoiced "th" as in "bath" and a voiced "th" as in "bathe." This is a fun sound to produce as it allows for sticking out your tongue.

Suggested words for initial 'th' words (remember beginning words need to be functional for each individual child):

## Initial 'th' words

thank	thin	thirsty	thud	thumb
that	think	thirteen		thumbs
there	thing	this		thumbtack
thick	things	thorn		thump
thigh	third	thorns		thunder

<sup>\*\*\* &</sup>quot;thanks" is a powerful early politeness term to express gratitude.

## Final 'th' words

bath	moth	teeth
booth	mouth	tooth
both	path	with
cloth	sloth	wreath
math	south	youth

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