

**Supplemental Material S3.** Correlations between MLUw based on 50 or 75 utterances at Time 1 (1) and test-based measures at Time 2 (2).

	<b>gram 2</b>	<b>voc 2</b>
MLUw 1 (50 utterances)	0.46 (0.56/0.42)	0.44/0.11
<i>N</i> = 100 (50/50)		
MLUw 1 (75 utterances)	0.47 (0.56/0.52)	0.52/0.07
<i>N</i> = 70 (31/39)		

Note: gram = grammar test, voc = vocabulary test. The two numbers separated by a slash refer to two subgroups: the first to the children tested for the second time at 3;7 years, and the second to children tested at 4;3 years. The critical value of the correlation coefficient  $r$  for  $\alpha = 0.05$  is 0.20 for 100 children and 0.28 for 49/50 children when MLU was based on 50 utterances, and 0.24 for 69/70 children, 0.36 for 31 children and 0.32 for 38/39 children when MLU was based on 75 utterances.