Transcripts

The folders contain two transcripts for each participating parent-child dyad; the play and the shared book reading activities. The transcripts were transcribed and analysed using the CLAN (Computerised Language Analysis, McWhinney, 2000) program. The file format in CLAN is called CHAT and files are saved with the extension .cha.

The transcripts show codings for language and interaction, as follows:

[beh]   parent utterance controlling the child's behaviour,

[act]   'activity-related' utterance eg book-related but not actual book text, or commentary on the toy play,

[att]   utterances where the child is clearly not paying attention,

[lan]   'language teaching' utterance, eg expansion or correction of child's utterance, vocabulary explanation, pointing out word sounds or rhyme,

[rea]   utterances which are entirely book text,

[sub]   utterance with clausal subordination ('catenative' forms, eg *want to xxx, going to xxx* were excluded).

Word folder

Transcripts have been saved here as MS Word files and show our codings in brackets, e.g. [sub]. However, the conversion has also inserted some numeric strings which can be ignored.

CHAT folder

Transcripts have been saved as CHAT files but, from the zip folder, will probably open automatically in Word and the '*open as'* option may not be available. If you extract them from the zip folder you can open them within CLAN for analysis. CLAN can be downloaded from https://talkbank.org/ and the manual from https://www.talkbank.org/manuals/CLAN.pdf

Reference

MacWhinney, B. (2000). The CHILDES Project: Tools for Analyzing Talk. 3rdEdition. Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum Associates