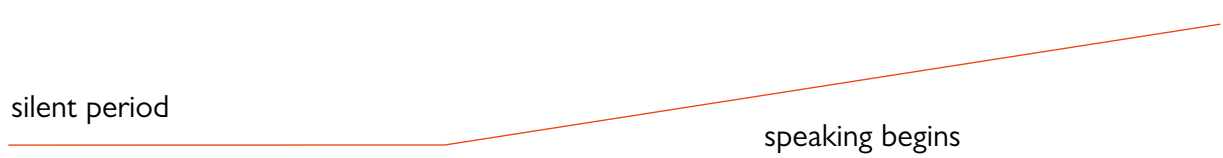


Resource 32: The silent period

silent period



speaking begins

- pupil doesn't speak English while they process what they are hearing
- the silent period may be as long as two or three months
- this is quite normal