Causes of Language Disorders With a language disorder, the child does not develop the normal skills necessary for speech and language. In particular, other developmental disorders like autism4 and hearing loss commonly co-occur with language disorders. 2 Likewise, a child with learning disabilities may also live with language disorders. 2 Aphasia is another condition linked with language disorders. The factors responsible for language disorders are unknown, this explains why they are often termed developmental disorders. 2 Disabilities or Brain Injury Despite the uncertainty around the causes of these . disorders, certain factors have strong links to these conditions