

Activities & daily routines

You build your child's language throughout the day! Language happens in all activities, such as:

1. Reading books
2. Mealtime
3. Morning routine/bedtime routine/bath time
4. Outdoors play/walk
5. Playtime/games
6. Schoolwork



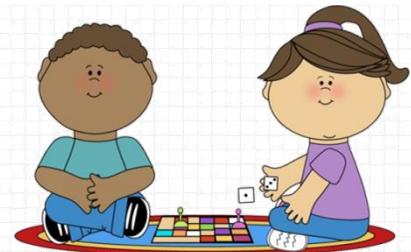
Build conversations

1. Back and forth

- Join in with children's interests and experiences and talk about them.
- Take turns communicating.
- Show that you are interested in what they are doing.
- Provide time for children to respond.

2. Extend children's language

- Expand on your child's words by adding a little more.
(Child: I like that. Adult: I like that **shiny blue** car.)
- Restate your child's language using correct grammar.
(Child: Me want a turn. Adult: I want a turn.)



3. Talk about what they are doing

- Comment on what your child is doing.
- Ask children questions about what they are doing, what they did before, and what they plan on doing next.

Expand on what your child says

Add to what your child says to build language and give them more information:

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| • Expand phrases so they are complete | • Summarize their thoughts |
| • Make phrases more complex | • Explain your thinking |
| • Add new and interesting words | • Connect new and familiar concepts |

Look at
the big
dog!



That is a big
brown dog!
He is so
fluffy!