

Helping your child develop Speech, language, and communication skills

Successful communication involves the ability to take turns to speak, listen and make eye contact

Talk to your child about what you are doing.....
I'm going to make some cheese sandwiches.
I'm putting the clothes in the washing machine.
The more language they hear, the more they learn.



Point out and name sounds you hear around the house and outside.

Traffic noise 'brmm, brmm'



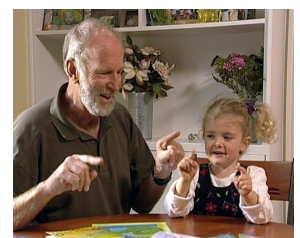
The fridge 'humming'



Dogs barking 'woof, woof'



Spend time together, face to face, enjoying chatting and singing rhymes. This lets them know you are listening. Rhymes that involve actions are great for encouraging eye contact, e.g. *Wind the bobbin up.*



See every day activities as talking times, washing up, going to the shops, getting dressed etc. For example talk about the clothes and colours they are wearing, and the body parts associated e.g. *Red tights/trousers on your legs.*

Stripy socks on your feet.

