



Open Ended Questions

When talking with children you want to ask questions that don't include a yes or no answer. Closed off questions force children to think about what they believe the adult they are talk to wants to hear. But when you ask questions that allow children to think about their own ideas, thoughts and feelings, we encourage them to think for themselves and invite others into the conversation to create more learning!



TALK, TALK, TALK

When exposing children to lots of language early on, it gives them tools to understand the world around them. Giving children language and understanding of the language they are using helps them express themselves and learn from others. By talking to children with meaningful and memorable conversations that relate to their interests, we give them skills they need to be successful in life. Skills in how to communicate and relate to others is a very important skill to have.



Let's Talk About Feelings

When preparing for new situations children do not have the vocabulary to talk about what they are experiencing. Children may show their feelings in other ways. It is up to us to help children understand their feelings. It is important to help them understand it is ok to feel feelings. We want to help children work though new and old feelings.



Play Skills

Through games, and play, children can learn many developing skills. Skill that include critical thinking skills, creativity thoughts, and team playing skills.



Just Keep Talking...

Children Don't Hear Us, They Imitate Us

Modeling children's language is the first step to helping children develop appropriate language. Modeling language can teach children to interact with others, handle conflict, reacting words. Children look up to many adults in their life and we want to remember to teach by example.



Never Criticize

Instead of correcting a child when they make a grammar mistake. Repeat their words back to them in the right grammatical manner. This way we don't discourage any language being used. Again, children are watching their role models in every single moment!



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Our goal is to help families understand the importance of engaging in true conversations with children. To gain information about supporting children's language through our engaging, responsive, and memorable interactions with them.

