

Top Tips for Interactions

1. Get a child's attention before you start to talk.
2. Get down to the child's level.
3. Have conversations with every child, every day.
4. Listen more than you talk.
5. Give children plenty of time to respond.
6. Ask open questions like "I wonder...?"
7. Speak in a lively, animated voice and use gestures and facial expressions.
8. Demonstrate the correct way to say things by repeating back.
9. Adapt your language to meet the children's needs.
10. For children learning language, use short sentences and make learning language fun.