TIPS TO HELP BUB PRACTISE LISTENING AND TALKING AT HOME



Talk and sing with bub.

Bub likes the sound of your voice.

It will help bub learn to listen.

If bub makes sounds, make sounds back, or talk back.

Practise having a 'conversation'.





Let bub see your face.

Look into bub's eyes.

Smile and laugh with bub.

Repeat back sounds that bub makes.





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Talk with bub.

Bub will try using different sounds like 'bababa'. Copy sounds that bub makes. Try teaching new sounds.





Let bub choose things.

Show bub two things: food, toys, or something else. Let bub reach or point to the one they want.

Teach bub words.

Bub won't say them yet, but can learn what they mean. Bub might learn 'bye-bye' and wave when they leave.







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Sing with bub.

Get him to copy the words and sing along with you.





Teach bub words.

At the shop, tell bub the names of things. Get bub to say the words too.

Let bub 'help'. Ask: 'Put your bowl in the sink', 'Go and find my shoes', 'Go and choose a book'.

Make sure bub understands what you're asking her to do.







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Get bub to join in when you look at books together. Tell favourite stories over and over so bub learns them.

Ask bub to show you things in the book: 'Where's the cat?'

Help bub put more words together.

If bub says 'car', say 'yeah, BIG car'.

If bub says 'doggie gone', say 'doggie gone outside'. See if bub will copy your sentence.





Play 'pretend' games, like feeding teddy or putting teddy to bed.

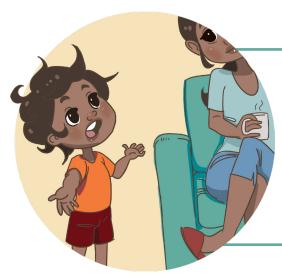
Talk about what you're doing.

Let bub copy you and then take turns.





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Listen for sounds with bub.

Ask bub what they can hear.

Ask if the sounds are loud or soft.

See if bub can name the sound.

Pick books that bub likes. Ask bub about the pictures: 'Find something that goes fast!' Get bub talking: 'What's the cat doing?', 'Where's that car going?'
Get bub to tell you stories.





When you're out, talk about things you see. Talk about what you're doing. When bub asks you things, look at bub when you talk back.





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When you're looking at books together, ask bub: 'What's he doing?', 'Why?', 'What's gonna happen next?'
Let bub tell you the story or make up a new ending.





Give bub practice following directions.

Make it fun. Ask bub to do some silly things: 'Pick up your shoe and put it on your head'.

Talk about things bub likes.

Let bub tell you about what she did at the park. Talk about bub's favourite TV show together.





