

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD WITH TALKING AND LISTENING

SOME FUN & EASY IDEAS

1. CHAT EVERYDAY

- Talks about your day
- Use describing words, instead of saying 'that's nice' try 'your drawing is so colourful!'
- Ask questions that need more than yes or no

2. READ TOGETHER

- Pick fun books
- Ask questions while reading
- Make it fun - use silly voices for the characters

3. PLAY WORD GAMES

- I spy
- Word chains - take turns saying words about a topic, like animals or food
- Rhyme time, think of words that rhyme, like 'cat' and 'bat';

4. TELL STORIES

- Share family stories
- Story starters - begin a story & let your child finish it
- Draw & write - make a simple book

5. LEARN NEW WORDS

- Teach new words
- Label things at home
- Talk about feelings

6. SHOW GOOD TALKING HABITS

- Speak clearly
- Listen well
- Encourage them

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