

Communication and Language Top Tips

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2. Allow your child ten seconds to respond.
3. Make it playful.

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- Giving instructions
- Offering choices
- Modelling new words
- Commenting on their play



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- Listen to the noises they make during play and react to them.

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