



One Page Resources: Developing Oral Language - Interaction Techniques & Stimulating Language

Waiting

Use slow pacing of your speech during conversation & actively listen to the child.

Extending

Repeat what the child says and “extend” by introducing additional information.

Pausing

Pause expectantly and regularly during interactions to encourage participation on the child’s part.

Confirming

Respond to children by affirming their statements or understanding.

Imitating

Repeat exactly (or closely paraphrase) what the child says.

Labeling

Provide labels (vocabulary) for familiar and unfamiliar objects, actions and concepts.

Scripting

Give an example of a possible response for the child and engage the child in familiar routines.

Parallel Talk

Actively describe what the child is doing.

Self Talk

Speak aloud about what you are doing in simple sentences.

Sources:

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