



One Page Resource: 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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