How to build Language Skills through Interaction

Let your child lead

Letting your child initiate communication rather than always leading or directing interactions, encourages children to communicate even more! Here are some steps of how we can do it.

Observe

What are your child's current interests and focus?

Get face to face

Try positioning yourself at the same height as your child

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Pause and allow some silence to encourage your child to lead or respond.

Wait

and helps you to respond and build on the interaction.

Listen

Careful listening

promotes self esteem

"Children who lead get the information they need."



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