

Let's Get Talking: Commenting

Welcome to Let's Get Talking. We're here to help you and your child with practical advice and support in developing their speech, language and communication skills.

One of the best ways to support your child's language development is to talk about - or comment on - what they're doing.

Hearing you repeat a word in different situations will help it stick even if your child is already familiar with that word.

Commenting can be done in all situations, whether playing, eating or getting ready for bed. While doing these things you may use comments like "racing cars", "cheese sandwich" or "clean teeth".

Try to stick to comments over questions, as too many questions can cause confusion.

In fact, try only using questions that are about the things they're interested in, that help your child take turns or that you genuinely want the answer to - rather than to test your child - like "do you want water or milk?"

For more tips and advice to help with your child's talking, take a look at our other videos.