

REDUCING DISTRACTIONS

Try to have distraction free interaction time with your child every day



CORRECT PHRASES IN POSITIVE TONE

You don't have to say "no" before repeating or ask them "did you mean?" Just repeat it back correctly in an encouraging way.



BE A SPORTS BROADCASTER

Model language surrounding what your child is doing. Make short and simple statements which are at a slightly higher level of understanding.



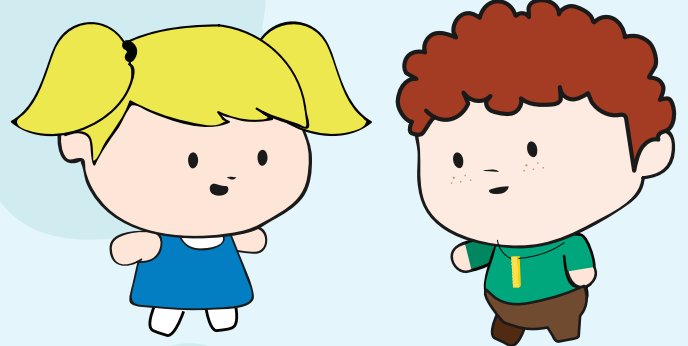
MATCH +1 & +2

Expand what your child says by adding one or two words to what they say.



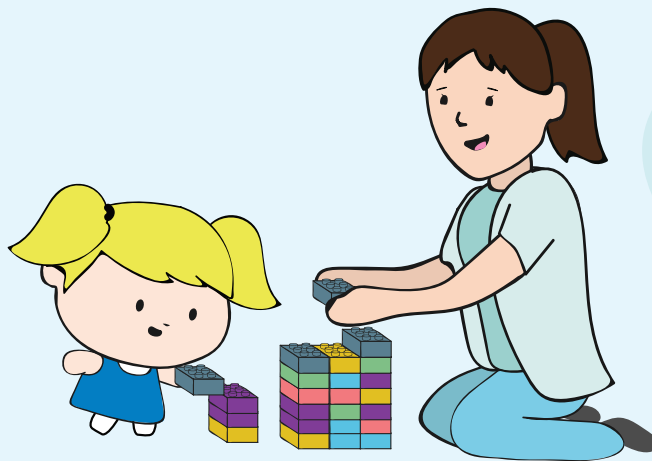
PLAY PEOPLE GAMES (EX. PEEK A BOO)

People games involve the child's attention being directed towards another person to encourage the development of social communication abilities.



PERSPECTIVE TAKING

When talking with your child, share your opinion and your feelings. During play or daily routines, set up "problems" and allow your child the opportunity to generate solutions.



FOLLOW YOUR CHILD'S LEAD

Similarly, try to refrain from saying "say" and asking questions as this can discourage communicative attempts.