

Speech and Language

Speech sounds

- Model speech to the children by repeating words back to them correctly.

Understanding:

- Give children time to process what you have asked and respond.
- Use simple language and break instructions down into smaller steps.
- Encourage children to answer questions, such as who, what, where, when and why? When reading their books. Encourage them to tell you the story in their own words.

Expression

- Talk about all your experiences in detail, teaching new vocabulary all the time.
- Discuss vocabulary in books, making sure the children understand the meaning of tricky words.

Social Communication

- Play lots of games with your child to encourage social skills, such as taking turns and winning and losing.

Resources and websites

<https://www.southwestyorkshire.nhs.uk/barnsley-childrens-speech-language-therapy-service/home/>

<https://www.thecommunicationtrust.org.uk/resources/resources/resources-for-parents/>

Social skills games: <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resources/specialeducationalneeds-sen/specialeducationalneeds-sen-social-emotional-and-mental-health-difficulties/sen-friendship-and-social-skills>