

Communication and Language



Communication and Language: 22-36 Months

Listening and attention

- Use sock puppets or toy people or animals when you're sharing one of my favourite stories or songs with me.

Understanding

- When we're making a sandwich together tell me what you are doing so I know what to do.

Speaking

- When we're playing with things, use new words to describe what I'm doing with them or to tell me what they are called.

Communication and Language: 30-50 Months

Listening and attention

- Play listening games with me like "Simon Says..." Where I have to copy an action or "Ready, Steady, Go" where I have to wait to push the ball or car.
- Make up silly sentences with me where each word begins with the same sound as at the start of my name.

Speaking

- Talk to me about things we did or places that we went to yesterday.

Understanding

- When I'm helping you to make the lunch, ask me questions like "What do I need to cut the apple?" or "What do I need to pour your milk /water into?" so that I can find you the thing we need.
- When we're tidying up give me simple instructions like "Put your shoes in the basket" or "Put the remote control on the sofa."

Communication and Language: 40-60 Months

Listening and attention

- Play a treasure hunt game with me where I have to listen to your instructions to help me find the next "clue".

Understanding

- When we're sharing a story together ask me why I think something has happened or what might happen next.

Speaking

- When we're sharing a story ask me how I think the story might end.
- Make up silly rhymes with me where we use words that begin with the same letter or the words all rhyme, like "cat", "bat" and "hat".
- Play "I spy" with me.
- Use different voices, like loud voices or squeaky voices, when we're telling stories.