

Early communication skills

Children learn to talk by having **everyday interactions**



from **0 - 5**



with **people close to them**



in their family's **home language/s**



Early communication skills are things like:

- Enjoying social games
- Understanding words
- Pointing and looking

Developing these early communication skills is an important first step when learning to talk. Here are some things you can do to help:

- **Reduce distractions** (turn off TV, phone, tablet etc)
- Get down to your child's level and **face-to-face**
- Focus on **their interests**
- **Copy** their sounds and actions



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