



Kid Talk!

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Talking to Children

By talking to your child(ren), parents and caregivers are helping to develop speech and language skills. A child who has strong speech and language skills will be a better reader and writer. When talking to children, consider using these **"Talking Tools"**:

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"Use correct sentences" When your child says "Him go home", you can respond with emphasis "Yes, he will go home".

"Repeat new words often" You can help develop your child's vocabulary by using new words often. They need to hear new words several times before they will begin to understand and use them.

"Talk about what you are doing" or **"Talk about what the child is doing"** By doing activities together and **talking** about what you are **doing** and **seeing**, you are giving children new words and teaching them how to build sentences, and use proper grammar.

Summer Reading Tips

Reading in the summer is a great way to keep learning and practicing skills that were learned at school. Here are some ideas to try this summer!

- Aim to **read 2-3 books** per day with your child.
- It is okay for children to want to **read the same book** over and over.
- Talk about the stories you read using the

words **first, next, then, last**. (This helps children learn to order and retell the story).

- Read a book and **re-tell the story by acting out** favorite parts.
- Help your child(ren) choose books **they are interested in** from the public library, access "talking books" online, or even trade books with



Online Resources:

To access **FREE** online books through the **Winnipeg Public Library** go to: <http://guides.wpl.winnipeg.ca/ebooks/>

Click on this →



There are also a lot of books available on → **YouTube**

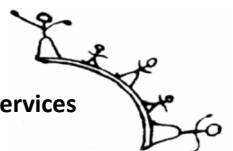


Be sure to watch **with** your child, as YouTube is not closely monitored for content.



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Summer Time Ideas

Speech and language development can be enriched all summer long by **talking with your children**. Talk while playing in the yard, grocery shopping, going to the zoo, visiting family and friends, going to the splash pad/or local wading pool etc. **Talk talk talk!**



Sunny Day Ideas

- **Go for a Picnic**—have your child help you pack up a lunch to eat outside, bring a big blanket for everyone to sit on.
- **Play with chalk**—Use sidewalk chalk to make your own outdoor games like hopscotch, write ABCs & numbers, play tic-tac-toe.
- **Play Hide-and-Seek**—Get the whole family involved, use location words (*behind, in, under, on top, beside*).
- **Play *What Time is it Mr. Wolf?*** - Your child can ask Mr. Wolf (adult facing backwards) for time, and then take the same amount of steps.



Rainy Day Ideas

- **Play *'I Spy with my little eye'*** - Play while grocery shopping, in the car or out on a walk. Think about learning/practising colours, shapes and new words.
- **Build a fort**— Use an old bed sheet and build an indoor fort, don't forget your flashlight and books!
- **Plan meals and cook together**— Help children measure, count and follow instructions.
- **Practice with magnetic letters / numbers**— Use a cookie sheet and practise making words, putting letters/numbers in order, talking about letter names & sounds.
- **Put on a puppet show**—Use old socks or mittens, and create characters. Have fun!

HELLO Summer
FAMILY FUN BUCKET LIST

MAKE something MONDAY

TASTE something TUESDAY

WONDER somewhere WEDNESDAY

do something THOUGHTFUL THURSDAY

FAMILY FUN FRIDAY



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