



# Talking Together

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### Share books with me!

Tips on making story time fun and helping with your child's talking.



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Let your child choose the book. Let them show you what they want to talk about. Don't worry about following the story exactly!

Snuggle up and share the moment.



Make books part of your everyday routine. Turn off TV, radio, tablets and phones while you read together.



In familiar stories leave a gap in the sentence so your child can fill it. e.g. "I'll huff and I'll..."

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Encourage turn-taking by taking turns to turn the pages or retell the story.



Use a book in different ways: draw pictures, make a collage, act it out, talk about the feelings of the characters etc.

Be slow and clear when you are talking. Your child loves to hear sing-song and funny voices.



Sharing books together helps your child learn to talk and get ready for learning to read.



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