

activities for COMMUNICATION & LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT

The Communication & Language Stage of Development refers to reading, writing, and all the different ways a child understands and communicates.



You can help support your child's Communication & Language development with these simple activities.

1

Look at your baby when they make a sound, laugh, or make faces. Talk back, say what they say, and have a conversation.

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Narrate your day; count what you see, point out colors, make animal sounds, use big gestures, and name the people around you.

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Have a stuffed animal tea party. Ask your child their animals' names and write the names on an invitation. Let your child decide what snacks to have and have them help you set the table. Engage in conversation with your child and their friends around the table.

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Play pretend. Whether you use costumes and props or just imagine them, role-playing scenarios that involve different characters introduce children to related words and concepts: pretend to be superheroes and talk about being strong and fast, clever and kind.

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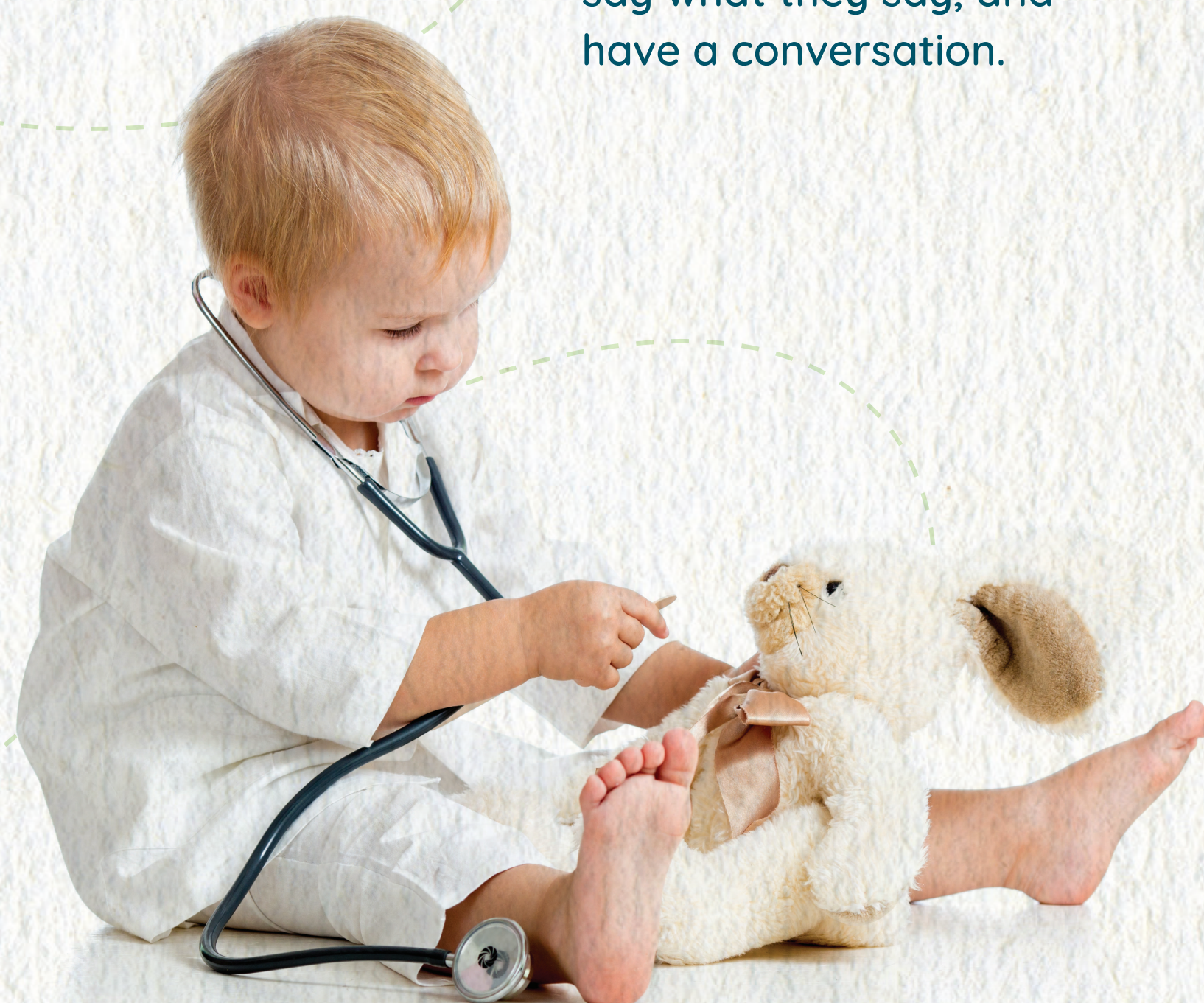
Go on a listening walk. Before you go, talk about what you might hear and make a list – a car, a bird, neighbors talking, etc. As you walk around your neighborhood, listen carefully, talk about what you hear, and check things off your list.

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Read together. It sounds simple (and it is), but hearing words and seeing pictures helps children understand that the two are connected – that words are symbols for what is going on in the world around them.

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Sing a song about what you see. Choose a tune you already know or make it up as you go.



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