



Talking Tip 21

Break the 'I don't know' cycle

Often children answer 'I don't know' to questions. This can lead to one-sided conversations that go nowhere.

Good questions help a child enter into and stay in a conversation. They must be sincere and appropriate to the child's level of understanding.

See the poster for tips on how to support children as conversation partners.

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Adults are the best resource – adult:child interaction supports speech, language and communication development

