

Boost your child's speech development with this simple tip

Who it's for: Children who are trying to say words, but aren't saying them clearly

When to try it: Throughout the day, in everyday activities

What to do: Notice. Show. Say it slow.



Notice when your child says a word, but it isn't clear.

Also notice the situation – maybe it's not a good time for a speech lesson. Sometimes kids just need us to listen.



Show your child where to look. Draw their attention to your mouth.

Be face to face, at your child's level.

Point at your mouth and ask them to look.

Or, hold something interesting beside your mouth.



Say one word, slowly, while your child watches your face.

Say the word smoothly and slowly, as if you are in a slow-motion video.

Your child's Speech-Language Pathologist can provide many more specific suggestions about how to help your child speak more clearly.



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