

# Helping children's talking

Primary School- Juniors



You can make comments and describe what your child is doing instead of asking of questions. This will help children to learn new words



Try sorting objects into categories e.g. clothes and vehicles, fruit and animals. Name every item as it is sorted. This helps to strengthen the links between words



When sharing a book, take turns to describe something on a page for the other person to point to and name



When learning new words you can try:

- Focusing on just 2 or 3 words at a time
- Drawing a Word Map
- Thinking and talking about what the word means
- Think about how the word sounds e.g. "it starts with a 'd' sound"
- Try using the word in a sentence



Children need thinking time. When you ask them a question, give "10 seconds thinking time" before repeating what you have said



Talk about everyday routines in your day, e.g. brushing your teeth. What do you do first, next and last? This will help your child to sequence events. This is an important skill that we need to be able to tell stories and join in conversations

