

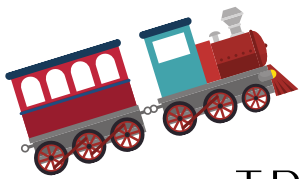
# PARENT'S GUIDE TO BUILDING LANGUAGE AT HOME

## Strategies

### SELF-TALK

Talk about what you are doing, seeing, eating, touching, or thinking when your child is present. Narrate your actions- for example "I'm cooking dinner. I'm chopping carrots. All done."

Keep sentences short!



### TRAIN

#### WORDS TO MODEL

Go

Stop

Open

Chugga chugga choo choo

Beep Beep

Ready set \_\_\_\_\_

(wait 3 seconds before filling in the blank with "go")

#### PLAY SKILLS MODEL

Push the train back and forth

Open to fill the train up

Take the items to another location

Unload the train

### PARALLEL TALK

Talk about what your child is doing, seeing, eating, or touching. Narrate what your child is doing. For example, "You are building a tower. Wow, that's a big tower!"

## activities

### BUBBLES



#### WORDS TO MODEL

Pop

More

Open

Big

Little

Wow

All gone

Ready set \_\_\_\_\_

(wait 3 seconds before filling in the blank with "go")

### SIGNS

More

Open

All done

#### EXPAND LANGUAGE

by adding on to what your child says. For example: "Wow, that's a big bubble?"

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