

## Early Years Speech and Language Therapy

### Websites and Resources to support Language Development

#### Communication tips and activities

- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people>. (Instagram: @bbctinyhappypeople).
- <https://hungrylittleminds.campaign.gov.uk/>.
- [www.small-talk.org.uk](http://www.small-talk.org.uk). Ideas and activities from the National Literacy Trust.



#### Bright Start and Islington Services

- <https://www.whittington.nhs.uk/IANDS> Early Years Speech and Language Therapy information and leaflets
- [www.islington.gov.uk/](http://www.islington.gov.uk/) Bright Start Islington website

#### Twinkl

- <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/> A website with interactive activities and downloadable resource packs

#### Special Time



- [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QJAgWdYM\\_og](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QJAgWdYM_og). Hanen – Why Interaction Matters? (Part 2). A video reflecting key strategies in supporting young children’s communication. Parents can use these strategies in a daily special time with their child.

#### Bright Start Bright Ideas Newsletter

The Bright Start Bright Ideas newsletter goes out regularly and contains useful tips and activities about areas such as communication and physical development. It also contains information about community services such as Health Visiting and Speech and Language Therapy. You can subscribe here;

<http://bit.ly/BSBIsubscribe>

## Apps

Enjoy looking at Apps with your child. The key is for this time to be interactive! Take opportunities to label what your child can see. Have fun commenting on what the characters are doing (e.g. "The cow is jumping") or talk about what your child is doing (e.g. "you're popping the balloons"):

### CBeebies Storytime



- Interactive story books and bedtime stories

### Toca Kitchen Monsters



- Good for verbs e.g. eating, cooking, cutting
- Concepts e.g. hot/cold, big/little, more
- Prepositions e.g. on the plate, in his mouth

### Peekaboo Barn



- Good for early vocabulary
- Guessing the name of animals
- To model to your child joining words together e.g. 'brown cow'

### Feed Maxi



- Good for following instructions
- Good for encouraging your child to request 'more'
- Kids enjoy feeding Maxi!
- Label food items whilst your child feeds him!

### Sort it out



- For learning new words and how they fit into categories e.g. animals (sea/land).