

Adult-Child Interaction Strategies Checklist

Do you...	Never	Sometimes	Always
Get down to the child's level and be face to face with them			
Let the child choose the toy or activity			
Wait, watch and provide silence			
Observe and follow what the child wants to do and join in by imitating their actions			
Pause to allow time for your child to communicate with you. They may do this through sounds, words, facial expressions, body movement, eye gaze or through their play actions			
Imitate by copying the child's actions & sounds			
Talk about what the child is doing (commenting) using a short simple sentence			
Listen to what the child has said and repeat them			
Interpret-by saying what the child would say if s/he could			
Extend by repeating what the child has said and adding a word			
Make your voice sound interesting			
Only ask a few questions			
Give lots of praise (if your child likes this)			
Give the child a reason to communicate and wait			