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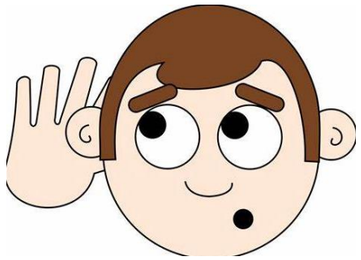
Speech and Language Message of the Week

Play turn taking games. E.g. pass the ball, ready steady go games. Say "my turn, your turn" to help your child's understanding of the activity.

Try to spend **5 minutes** playing with them each day where there are no distractions i.e. TV, phone

Play ready, steady, go games. E.g. rolling a car or ball, blowing bubbles, knocking over bricks. Pause before saying `go` to develop their anticipation.



TOP TIPS TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S ATTENTION AND LISTENING

Get down to the same level as the child so that you can be **at their physical level** for the activity

The child you are working with might not use eye contact and that's ok- don't insist on eye contact! Remember that each person has their own way of listening; even when a child is not looking or turning away they may still be listening. Learn about how the child listens and what supports them best.

If you have concerns about your child's attention and listening skills, please **talk to a Speech and Language Therapist** – we drop into each Children's Centre once a term.

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