

# Speech & Language Support for 0-3s



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A practical training course for those of you working in Early Years settings to enable you to develop the communication skills of babies and very young children.



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This course is written for those of you working in pre-school provisions. It links research on early language development with best practice to give you up to date theoretical knowledge and practical tools to promote and extend communication. It will provide you with easy to use strategies and innovative ideas whatever curriculum you are using. This training runs over 10 sessions and you can complete it either through face to face delivery or blended e-learning. It can also be delivered as an intensive three day programme and is available as e-learning only without the live webinars or accreditation.

### What does this course teach?

#### 1. What is communication?

- Identify the processes involved in communication and learn how interaction, play and communication are essential to development.

#### 2. Adult-child interaction & non-verbal communication

- Examine the effect of adult-child interaction on the development of communication skills
- Explore the importance of non-verbal communication behaviours.

#### 3. Play for Language

- Explore the link between play & language development and the development of social play
- Develop skills to promote play & support language development at key developmental stages.

#### 4. Listening, attention & understanding spoken language

- Develop strategies to promote listening and attention and link these to EYFS Development Matters statements and other monitoring frameworks
- Develop strategies to encourage the understanding of language including additional languages.

#### 5. The word journey - developing vocabulary

- Explore typical development of language learning
- Learn strategies to help children develop a wide and varied vocabulary
- Consider how to meet the needs of the different age groups in early years.

#### 6. The Blank Language Scheme

- Facilitate development of verbal reasoning
- Practise modifying the adult's language according to individual needs.

#### 7. The language journey - Developing expressive language skills

- Develop strategies to encourage the use of early phrases and sentences
- Explore how we articulate sounds and their typical development
- Discuss strategies to support young children with unclear speech.

#### 8. Sharing books, using rhymes & exploring the link to early literacy

- Consider the link between speech, language and early literacy development
- Explore how to use songs, rhymes and books to support communication.

#### 9. Working with parents & carers to support communication development

- Discuss effective ways of supporting parents to develop their child's early communication skills
- Discuss how knowledge gained from the course links with the two year review process.

#### 10. Linking it all together

- Present evidence of applying knowledge gained across the course during everyday activities.

“ I just wanted you to know how valuable it's been for me to do this course. I would champion this course to anyone. It has given me a new level of understanding for the children I work with and how difficult it must be for children who really have a developmental delay. ”

