



Dear Parents,

We hope you enjoyed the recent Great Ideas for Talking and Sharing (GIFTS) Program presentation. The strategies presented will help you support your child's daily communication.

To help you remember, the language strategies discussed include:

- Watch, Wait, Listen
- Follow your child's lead
- Match and expand
- Commenting and labeling
- Ask good questions
- Create Language Opportunities
 - Avoid Anticipating
 - Do the Unexpected

Periodically, we will be sending you activity handouts to help you use these strategies. The handouts provide suggestions for using these strategies during daily activities like eating in a restaurant, grocery shopping, and doing the laundry.

With each activity handout, we will also be providing you with a Parent Perspective page, which will give you an opportunity to provide feedback about your success.

If you have any questions about using these resources, we are here to answer any of your questions.

Sincerely,