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Communication Monthly Newsletter

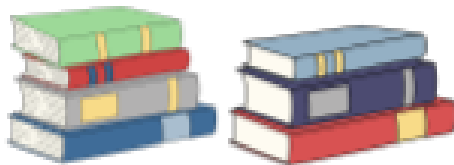
Communication Facts

Let's talk about language skills..

Receptive Language: understanding or comprehension. Includes skills such as following directions, understanding vocabulary, concepts & wh - questions and understanding stories.

Expressive Language: using words to express oneself clearly and concisely. Includes grammar skills, answering wh- questions, telling stories, using concepts and vocabulary appropriately and describing.

Pragmatic Language (social skills) : social language skills including conversation, turn taking, eye-contact, problem solving, taking perspective, and initiating.



Books we are reading

"Room on the Broom" by Julia Donaldson

An excellent book for sequencing, "Room on the Broom" takes a witch and many other animal friends on an adventure through the forest. After reading, we recalled the broom riders in sequence of appearance.

"The Gruffalo" by Julia Donaldson

Donaldson's book the "Gruffalo" is a charming story of a seemingly frightening monster and a mouse. The Gruffalo monster has very distinct features perfect for describing and sequencing.

Speech and Language At Home

Retelling, sequencing and formulating *narratives (stories)* are an essential language skill at any age. Here are some tips for promoting these skills during reading at home.

- **Recall details** after reading a story, ask your child to recall the events that occurred. Depending on their age/level, allow them to look back at pictures.
- **Main Idea** can be very tricky, especially for a child with language difficulties. Help your child put all the details together to come up with a main idea.
- **"My Favorite part was.."** Have your child identify a part of the story they can relate to in their own life.