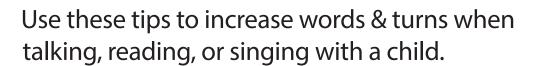


THE 14 TALKING TIPS





- 2. Comment on what they're doing or looking at.
- 3. Name things that they're interested in.
- **4. Get down to their level:** face to face.
- 5. Touch, hug, hold.
- **6.** Tune in and respond to what they look at, do, and say.
- 7. Wait for their response.
- **8. Imitate them,** and add words.
- 9. Make faces, use gestures.
- **10. Take turns** don't do all the talking.
- 11. Repeat and add to what they say and do.
- **12. Follow their lead,** do what interests them.
- **13. Encourage them,** be positive.
- 14. Be silly! Relax and have fun!



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