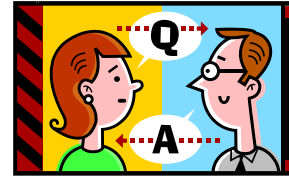


Conversation and Interaction // Age 7-9

Conversations

Your child needs to learn about turn taking within conversations including when it is their turn to speak. Model good turn taking by trying to always actively listen to your child when they are telling you about an event in their day. I.e.



- Give them eye contact and avoid interrupting them as they speak.
- Ask your child simple questions about the event to show you are interested.
- Encourage your child to ask you questions about events you describe to them.

Role reversal



The aim of the game is to take it in turns to be the leader. The following games develop your child's awareness of the knowledge of the listener, giving appropriate instructions, and listening to instructions:

- "Simon says..." games.
- Directing how to set up an obstacle course and then which way to go round.
- Directing a car or person around a map.
- Explaining how to play a particular game.

"Guess Who"

Available at many high street stores, this game targets taking turns, asking appropriate questions, and being aware of what the listener knows.

