

Telling Stories // Age 7-9



Tell me what to do

Ask your child to tell you how to e.g. make a cup of tea, clean your teeth, make a sandwich, have a bath etc. If possible have the necessary equipment and follow the child's instructions. This will give important feedback to them about the need to include all the necessary information in a specific order so you can carry out the instructions. Move on to using pictures of sequential instructions and then ask the child to give the instructions from memory

'Wh' questions prompt

Encourage your child to talk about a story or event using 'wh' questions as prompts e.g. when and where did it take place?, who was there?, what did they do?, why did they do that?

Who? What?
When?
Where? Why?



Continue the story

Start off a story and at a strategic point your child takes over. Continue to take turns, or involve other family members. Begin with familiar stories before trying to make your own up. Or you can read a story and get your children to offer alternative endings.