

## 2 key word level

In every sentence, some words are more important to understand than others. These are known as Key words. The child needs to understand each 'key word' in order to follow the instruction correctly.

When children struggle to learn language, they need lots of opportunities to practice. This sheet shows activities that you can do at home to help your child. Keep practice fun – children learn best through play.

### Objects activity (nouns)

You will need: 2 or more toys + 5-10 objects



For example, in order to follow 'give the banana to teddy', the child needs to choose which is the banana and then choose which is the teddy.



Give biscuit to hedgehog

Find spoon and peg

Give teddy the toast

### Actions activity (verbs)

You will need: 2 or more toys (+ other objects)



Make teddy sleep



Make monkey walk



Make frog eat

#### Action words

Jump
Sit
Run
Sleep
Eat
Drink
Dance
Hide
Wave
Clap
Fly

## Places activity (prepositions)

You will need: 2 or more toys + a bag



Place words
in
on
under
(next to)
(in front)
(behind)

Put teddy under the bag



Put the bottle in the bag



Put the car on the



### Next steps:

- Change the toys/objects – this will help your child learn new words
- Practice in different places: in the garden, in the bath, in noisy environments, in groups with other children or adults.
- Encourage your child to give you similar instructions – this will develop their talking.  
'now it's your turn – what shall I do?'  
'what does teddy want – cake or pizza?'  
'Who gets the biscuit – rabbit or lion?'  
'What will duck do – jump or hide?'