

# Jump Start To Learning

Oral Language in the early  
years....

## When to add Language?

- \* At playtime
- \* During meal time
- \* While driving in the car
- \* Quiet moments before bed

## Play I Spy...

Have your child find something in the room that might be the same colour...



Oral language is an important part of your child's development. It is easy for parents to incorporate language into everyday moments.

Activities that enhance oral language development:

- Reading to your child
- Tell stories - use can pictures or toys to add detail
- Sing and tell jokes
- Adding Conversation to table top activities such as Play Dough, Lego time, snack or meal time. Narrate as you do the activity.

Here are some Links to oral language videos and activities to get you started....

- [Would you Rather?](#)
- [Story Stones: How to make & play](#)
- [Story Stones ideas from pinterest](#)
- [Printable-conversation-cards](#)
- [Indigenous Oral Story Telling](#)



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## Motor Skills for Early Learners...

### Fine Motor Activities...

- \* coloring and tracing
- \* cutting with scissors
- \* cooking - pouring, shaking, sprinkling
- \* playing in sand

### Gross Motor Activities...

- \* dancing
- \* obstacle course
- \* kicking or throwing at target



Gross Motor skills use large muscles and limb movement. These skills enable children to perform everyday functions.

Often gross motor abilities can influence:

- Coordination
- Better concentration and memory
- Good posture

Here are some Links to gross motor play ideas for at home practice.

- [Gross Motor Robot Dance](#)
- [Gross Motor Activities with a Towel](#)

### [Gross Motor Fun with 6 Lines of Tape](#)

- [Stuffed Animal Toss](#)

