

**Resource packages for supporting Speech language and Communication development**

**Package 2:**

**Tailored activities for parents to do with their children to boost specific areas of communication.**

**Play**

* <https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people> - *Information for parents on how to develop your child’s communication skills. You can explore their simple activities and play ideas and find information about early child development.*
* <https://busytoddler.com/2016/03/easy-baby-activities> - *information and activity ideas to develop play skills with your toddler.*
* <https://theimaginationtree.com/baby-play-ideas-and-activities-6-18> - *play ideas for babies and toddlers from 6 to 18 months.*
* <http://www.hanen.org/Helpful-Info/Articles/The-Land-of-Make-Believe.aspx> - *information about the importance of developing play skills and tips for parents.*

**Attention and listening**

<https://ican.org.uk/a-message-to-our-supporters-on-coronavirus/activities-to-develop-speaking-and-listening-skills/> - *activity ideas for developing your child’s attention skills*

<https://www.teachearlyyears.com/learning-and-development/view/learning-to-listen> *website with information and advice for developing listening skills.*

<https://empoweredparents.co/8-games-to-improve-your-childs-listening-skills> *activity ideas to help develop your child’s listening skills.*

**Understanding spoken language, words and talking**

* [www.talktoyourbaby.org.uk](http://www.talktoyourbaby.org.uk) – Run by the National Literacy Trust – *Provides information for parents of children 0-3 years old.*
* <https://hungrylittleminds.campaign.gov.uk> - *A website from The Department for Education. A new campaign provides parents with ideas and videos of activities to boost children’s communication, language and literacy development from 0-5 years old.*
* [*https://ican.org.uk*](https://ican.org.uk) *- Charity for children’s communication, runs outreach programs, training programs and advice for concerned parents.*



* <https://ican.org.uk/i-cans-talking-point> - *Provides information and resources for parents of children with speech and language communication needs.*
* <http://www.thecommunicationtrust.org.uk> - *A coalition of charities providing support for those with speech and communication issues.*
* <https://www.afasic.org.uk> - *Charity that provides information, and resources and support for parents and carers with children who have difficulties with listening, talking, and understanding.*
* <http://www.hanen.org/Helpful-Info/Parent-Tips.aspx> *Tips for parents to develop their child’s language, communication and literacy skills at home.*
* <https://www.helpmykidlearn.ie/activities> *Activities and resources for children from birth onwards. There are activity ideas available in the following areas: Talking, Play, Reading, Writing and Counting.*
* <https://literacytrust.org.uk/parents-and-families> - *information and resources to support your child’s development from birth and onwards.*
* <https://speechandlanguage.info/parents/activities/language> *website with activity ideas to do with your child at home to encourage their understanding and talking at different ages.*
* <https://www.makaton.org> - *Charity that provides courses, as well as free and paid resources for learning Makaton.*
* <https://www.clapa.com> - *Charity that works with those born with a cleft.*

**Social interaction/communication**

* <https://www.autism.org.uk> - *The country’s largest autism charity. Provides guidance and advice as well as campaigning for improved services and opportunities*.
* <https://www.childautism.org.uk>  *- Charity that provides information and support for parents of children with autism.*
* [*https://www.ambitiousaboutautism.org.uk*](https://www.ambitiousaboutautism.org.uk) *– charity providing information and support for parents of children with autism*
* <http://www.selectivemutism.org.uk> – *Charity that provides support for families with selectively mute children.*



**Speech pronunciation**

* <https://mommyspeechtherapy.com> – *website with information, advice and resources for practising speech sounds.*
* <https://speechandlanguage.info/parents/activities/parent-portal-speech-activities> *website with information and ideas for practising speech sounds.*
* <https://michaelpalincentreforstammering.org> - *Specialist stammering centre with information regarding stammering.*