

# LABELLING

**Labelling (or naming) is a way for you to help your child learn new words.**

Labelling is useful because it:

- Shows your child that you are responding to his/her focus of interest
- Teaches your child that you can use a word instead of a gesture

**Here are some suggestions for things to talk about:**

Tell your child names of people and objects that he/she is interested in:

ball	cookie
juice	daddy
doggy	swing

Talk about what your child is doing:

push	open
walk	give
splash	eat

Talk about where the objects and people are:

in	up
out	on

Use words that are useful (functional) for your child in everyday situations:

Focus on using:	Instead of using:
help	triangle
more	please
mine	blue
eat	good boy/girl

