

# WAITING

- Wait for your child to comment, react, or ask for more with a gesture or a word
- If your child does not say anything after you have waited five to ten seconds, model the words that he/she should have said. For example:

Parent: "We are going to put the block \_\_\_\_\_."

Parent waits five to ten seconds for child to fill in the word "on".

Child: Does not respond.

Parent: "**On**. Put block **on**."

*Parent gives child block to put on top of the block tower.*

- Be available to help your child in situations, but **wait** for your child to request for "help" by making eye contact, bringing the object to you, vocalizing, or saying "help"

