

Activities to Develop Literacy Skills

Reading Opportunities	 Books, newspapers, magazines Communication labels in home environment Communication books /keyrings. Personal Photo activity books. Social stories Food pictures / shopping list Social Sight vocabulary – community visits Visit libraries
Activities to develop Language Comprehension skills	 Relate speech directly to activity/ object Use repetition and routine language Use favourite activities and focus on key words Focus on the importance of functional meaning of language Develop vocabulary through special topics and activities
Activities to develop Listening and Phonics skills	 Listening to music/ Audio books Rhymes and songs / ABC songs Copying rhythms for example drum beat Discriminating sounds: High/low, loud /quiet Identifying sounds for example animal, transport, home sounds Matching speech sounds to written letters Listen and copy sounding out words (c-a-t)



Speech and Language Therapy

Activities to Develop Literacy Skills

Activities to develop visual skills and reading words	 Multi-sensory stories / Picture books Alphabet books and activities Puzzles Looking at pictures and photos in environment Holding books and turning pages iPad apps Look at print-point at the words as you read Matching written words to pictures Match(map)written letters to sounds and sound combinations Make a personalised picture-word reading book
Activities to develop reading comprehension	 Picture Sequencing activities Practise narrative - retelling an event (spoken and written) Write the steps to carry out an activity Follow written instruction cards Sequencing a set of written sentences Listen to stories and recap information with the main ideas Make predictions – What happens next? Support understanding meaning of text – highlight key points Explore topic through discussion, looking at pictures and give support to make connections to help understanding of text. Show different types of written information – fact/ fiction