

Websites for Families

Communication & Language Development

Do you want to learn more about how babies and children's communication and language skills develop and how you can support their development?

This is a list of some of best websites we have found with lots of great information, advice and top tips for families.

The Pod – Children's Therapies
(Kent Community Health Trust, NHS)



An overview of the **speech and language therapy service in Kent**, with links to useful information leaflets and videos.

www.kentcht.nhs.uk/childrens-therapies-the-pod



Paediatric Speech and Language Therapy
(East Kent Hospital University NHS Foundation Trust)







An overview of speech and language therapy services in **Ashford, Folkstone & Hythe and Dover & Deal** with links to useful information leaflets and videos.

www.ekhft.nhs.uk/services/childrens-speech-and-language-therapy/



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<p>Kent Family Hubs</p> <p>This section of the Family Hub provides guidance, examples and ideas for taking part in your child’s language development. There are plenty of simple things you can do with your child as you go about your day.</p> <p>www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/kent-family-hub/help-your-child-develop-and-learn/help-develop-your-childs-speech-and-language</p>	
<p>Better Health – Start for Life (NHS & Public Health England)</p>  <p>Trusted NHS help and advice during pregnancy, birth and parenthood.</p> <p>www.nhs.uk/start-for-life/</p>	
<p>Tiny Happy People (BBC)</p>  <p>Language lets children express themselves and tell others how they feel. Tiny Happy People can help you develop your child’s language and communication skills, so they get the best start in life.</p> <p>www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people</p>	

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Words for Life

(National Literacy Trust)



Tips for helping your baby begin to chat, play and read.

<https://wordsforlife.org.uk/>

<https://wordsforlife.org.uk/activities/chat-play-read-interactive-activity-booklets/>



Look, Say, Sing, Play

(NSPCC)

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Right from birth, every time you play with your child, use silly voices, or even sing, you're not just bonding, you're building their brain. Some fun and easy tips to help you bring even more **Look, Say, Sing** and **Play** into your daily routine with your baby or toddler.

www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/look-say-sing-play/



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<p>Speech & Language UK</p> <p>Speech and Language UK </p> <p>A charity (previously ICAN) with the mission of giving children and young people the skills they need so they aren't left behind, waiting to be understood.</p> <p>https://speechandlanguage.org.uk/</p>	
<p>Parent Portal – Speech and Language Link</p> <p>Speech & Language Link </p> <p>The Parent Portal provides ideas and advice, information and activities for developing your child's understanding, talking and listening in a way that works for all of your family.</p> <p>https://speechandlanguage.link/parent-portal/</p>	

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BookTrust



On the hunt for a brilliant book for a baby, or the perfect present for a 3-year-old? Look no further. We've created six tailor-made booklists - one for every age up to five years old.

www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/our-recommendations/best-books-for-0-5s/



Nursery Rhymes and Songs A to Z (BBC School Radio)



100+ videos of traditional Nursery Rhymes with lyrics arranged alphabetically

www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/articles/z4ddgwx

