



# Child Care Resource & Referral

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## Reflection Paper

### Now You're Talking: Techniques that extend conversations

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

*Circle one:* Center Child Care  
Family Child Care

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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1001 SW Baseline  
Hillsboro, OR 97123

1. Children first develop \_\_\_\_\_ language.

2. Expressive language is \_\_\_\_\_.

3. The rule of conversation or "pragmatics" are:

4. What language skills cannot be learned by watching television?

5. What is information talk?



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6. Give an example of information talk.

If a child is playing with colored blocks, the adult could say:

7. What is "expansion"?

8. What is "expansion plus"?

9. How does "expansion" and "expansion plus" help a child develop language skills?

10. What is a closed question?



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11. Give an example of a closed question.

12. What is an open-ended question?

13. Give an example of an open-ended question.

14. How do open-ended questions help children?

15. From the video what is one technique for developing language in young children that you found beneficial for you?



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## Activity

### Now You're Talking: Techniques that extend conversations.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Activity: \_\_\_\_\_ Setting/Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Have a conversation with a child that includes open-ended questions.

What questions were asked?

What were the child's responses?

Asking open-ended, rather than closed, questions takes practice. How did it feel?

A common question that parents ask is, "What did you do at school today?" Most children answer, "I don't know" or "Nothing". What are some better questions you could encourage a parent to ask?



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Overall, would you rate the video as: \_\_\_ Poor \_\_\_ Fair \_\_\_ Good \_\_\_ Excellent

Your ability to obtain the video and materials:

\_\_\_ Poor \_\_\_ Fair \_\_\_ Good \_\_\_ Excellent

Your experience with this format for learning:

\_\_\_ Poor \_\_\_ Fair \_\_\_ Good \_\_\_ Excellent

Please share any comments you have about this workshop. \_\_\_\_\_

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