

## FUN Pragmatics

Pragmatics is the way in which we use language in different social situations. It's important for taking part in conversations and interactions in socially acceptable ways.

Most children develop pragmatics skills during their early years by being exposed to language around them and engaging socially with others. However, it can be more challenging for our kids who are deaf or hard of hearing to develop pragmatics.

There are many ways you can teach your child pragmatics in everyday scenarios. Some of these are detailed in the shared links. Most of them can be FUN for you and your child. For example, playing games, sharing stories, and telling jokes are just a few ways your child can develop their pragmatic skills.

Storytelling helps a child learn how to stay on topic and tell a story in the right order for it to make sense.

Sharing jokes enables your child to understand humour and sarcasm.

Playing games teaches your child to negotiate, take turns and self-regulation.

