



Talk4Meaning

Supporting children's language and learning

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‘Sharing stories, language development and reading’

This one-day course is an introduction to many ideas to develop children's language and wellbeing through stories and groups, and to consider how we build the foundations of reading and spelling through our work.

- 9.15 to 10.30 Warm up: Talking together and in groups.
‘How do babies and young children learn language?’
The power of adult interaction: conversations with children.
- 10.30 to 10.50 break
- 10.50 to 12.00 Using story, rhyme, song and circle time to develop language. Increasing ‘Word Power’. Rhyme and reading and phonological development. Promoting vocabulary, language and conversation by linking stories and small world play. Children's role-play. Reading, writing and spelling.
- 12.00 to 12.45 Lunch
- 12.50 to 2.30 Fiction and information books, and really sharing books with children. Planning for story and groups in your setting. Choose a table with a set of activities that appeals to you. Or look through the suitcases and bags. Explore the toys and books. Can you put together a story presentation with activities for children in your setting? If you like you can make up a presentation to share with the group.
- 2.30 to 3.30 Children sharing stories. Bringing the day together, and relating to your setting the ideas we have shared.

All timings and order of subjects are approximate. Days like these tend to take on a life of their own!!

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