



**Top Tips
Receptive
Language**

Give me time to think and respond.

Break instructions down into smaller steps.

Provide a quiet space for communication.

Emphasis the key words that you want me to understand and use independently.

Keep your language simple.

Talk about concrete things that I can see. Use objects, photos or pictures to help me understand.

Use gesture, sign and gaze to help me understand what you are saying.

Use signs or gestures to help me understand.

Use the language of 'First and Then' as well as 'First and Then' visual boards.

Say things in the order you want me to do them.

Use visual resources such as story and song props to reinforce my understanding.

Play alongside me and make listening part of a fun activity.

Speak slowly.

Play listening games and make listening fun.