

ACTIVITIES FOR AT HOME: FREE 'APPS' RECOMMENDED BY OUR TEAM

Crocodile Dentist

Crocodile dentist does not target specific speech, language and communication difficulties however it is a great app to use as a motivator alongside speech and language therapy activities. Use as a reward after some activities, enjoy turn taking and the level of anticipation!



Fluid Simulation

Fluid Simulation and other sensory apps don't target specific speech, language and communication needs, however sensory apps are great to use for children with sensory needs, particularly some children with autism spectrum condition. This can have a calming and relaxing affect which could be used for a reward or during a break.



Kids story builder

This app helps children create their own exciting and personalized stories using real photos and voices. This ensures that the child's ideas are formed into sentences and eventually part of a story. You can encourage the child to use sequential markers such as; first...next...then...last. This will support structure and provide sequence. It's a great way to use connectives to join ideas together. Such as; and, but, so, if, until, however. Also give your story main parts: beginning, middle and end. You may want to include a problem then a solution! Ask your child to re-tell the story after you have played it back, to see if they can retain the main parts.



Kids Fun with Alphabets

This app is great for labeling A-Z objects, reciting the alphabet and numbers and naming items in categories such as:

- food
- vehicles
- body parts
- animals.

You can play guessing games by describing the noun, for example; "it's pink, it says 'oink oink' and it starts with a p", for your child to find the correct picture- it's a pig!

English for Kids

This app includes lots of short cartoon clips based on conversations you could role play. Greeting, asking questions, giving descriptions and asking about peers likes and interests. It's a good way to show situations to then role play afterwards and apply in real life situations, with adult support.



Guess the sounds

Guessing sounds- listen to the tunes such as animals, instruments, household sounds and more. For each sound the child listens to, they will have to choose the answer between 4 images, work out together what the sound may be? Listening skills are vital for communication!



Paint

This doesn't target specific speech and language needs however you could use this to give specific instructions to one another during a drawing activity. For example: First draw the swan's head in green. Next give the swan some short pink feathers. This is also a good way to build on vocabulary and concepts by drawing items and including specific detail: colour, position, shape and size.

