

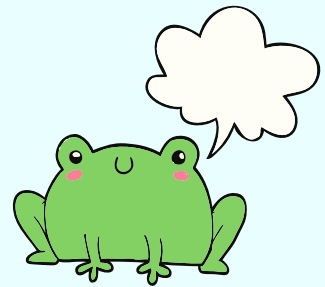
# Oral Language- Speaking and Listening Activities and Games

**When your child speaks to you, extend the conversation and ask clarifying questions:** *Can you tell me more about the dog you saw?*

**Model more complex vocabulary or sentence structure:** *Yes, I see the tall skyscraper you built with lots of windows!*

**Ask open-ended questions...**

- *Why do you think...?*
- *Which one do you have more/less of?*
- *How can you tell the difference between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_?*
- *Can you give me an example of \_\_\_\_\_?*
- *How do you know that...?*
- *What happened first, second, third, etc.? Tell me what happened...*



## Storytime Theater

Read familiar stories or folktales such as *The Three Bears*. Act out the stories using stuffed animals. Retell the stories talking about what happened at the beginning, middle, and end. Change a character or come up with a new ending!

## Who Am I?

Think of a popular book/movie/tv character, family member, or animal. Have your child ask yes or no questions (e.g., "Do you live where it is cold?" "Do you have 4 legs?" "Do you have fur?")

## Would You Rather?

Kids love this question/answer game. Ask each other questions such as "Would you rather live in a treehouse or on a boat? Would you rather be able to fly or become invisible? Would you rather eat broccoli ice cream or chocolate syrup on pasta? The question possibilities are endless!. Talk about your reasons!