

Oracy at home

Would you rather...?

Ask questions such as, "Would you rather live in a treehouse or an igloo?". Encourage the use of 'because' to explain decisions. This is a fun game for the whole family to get involved in and has endless possibilities. Click [here](#) for a list of Would you rather...? questions to get you started.

If

Ask open ended discussion questions such as, "If you could have any superpower, what would it be?". Use **ABC** to build the discussion:

A – Agree

B – Build on ("That would be great because...")

C – Challenge ("But that would mean...")

Read aloud

Reading aloud to your child, even when they are able to read for themselves, combines the acts of talking, listening and storytelling into one. It helps children build vocabulary, express their opinions and learn the structure of language. Click [here](#) for some reading aloud tips.

Phone a friend

Encourage children to phone a family member or friend rather than messaging them. Actually talking to someone will help build confidence and conversational skills.

Word games

Playing word games such as, I Spy, Guess Who? and 20 Questions are a great way to have fun, develop descriptive language and think critically about what you are saying and hearing.