

Try not to pretend  
you have understood  
- ask the child to  
show/draw/tell you  
more

Have fun with songs  
and rhymes and  
reduce dummy use  
for younger  
children

Keep background  
noise to a minimum

## **How to Support Children with Speech Sound Development**

### Speech and Language Therapy Top Tips!

Have fun with sound  
awareness activities  
with older children e.g.  
go on a 'sound hunt' for  
objects beginning  
with...

Make practice  
sessions fun and  
motivating

Listen to what the  
child is saying, not  
how they are saying  
it

Repeat back errors:  
Child: 'a dor!'  
Adult: 'yes, it's a  
saw!'

Sit directly  
opposite the child