

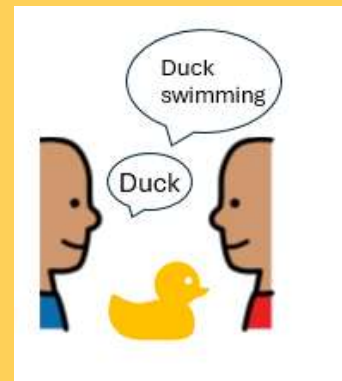
# Copy and add a word



Copying what a child says and adding a word helps a child know they have shared their ideas with you and helps them learn to make their sentences longer. You can add any word that is appropriate to what the child is seeing or doing.

If the child says “Teddy” you could say “**Hello teddy**”, “**teddy is drinking**” or “**teddy is sleeping**”.

The child doesn’t need to copy back what you’ve said to benefit from this, so there’s no need to ask them to copy you.



## See this idea in action

Adding words: looking out of the window



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