

100 WAYS TO NURTURE YOUR CHILD'S COMMUNICATION

1. Tell me about...
2. It sounds like you felt...
(worried, excited).
3. I understand.
4. That sounds...(fun, frightening,
annoying)
5. How did you feel?
6. Sorry to hear that!
7. Who did you play with today?
8. What made you laugh today?
9. What interesting things did you do
today?
10. Let's spend time together doing...
11. I love you!
12. That's an interesting question.
13. What do you think?
14. You are very special to me!
15. WOW, that is amazing!
16. You make me laugh.
17. I like hearing about things you do.
18. How interesting!
19. I'd like to hear more.
20. Really?
21. You go first.
22. That was fun!
23. Hi there!
24. I'd like to play with you again.
25. Let's do that again.
26. Thank you for sharing.
27. What a great friend you are.
28. That was very kind.
29. Thank you for giving me a turn.
30. Would you like to join my game.
31. Can I join in?
32. I enjoy playing...(soccer, chasey,
scrabble) with you.
33. It was nice of you to lend your...
(car, toy).
34. We had fun today!
35. What a great sport!
36. You are playing fairly.
37. Great shot!
38. Great play!
39. Well played!
40. You passed the ball well!
41. I like it when you...
42. Super!
43. Fantastic!
44. What a star!
45. Good thinking.
46. You were great at that!
47. Cool!
48. You did that very well.
49. I like the way you...
50. You tried really hard!
51. That's good.
52. I saw you taking care with that!
53. Awesome!
54. I felt proud of you when...
55. I noticed you...
56. Amazing!
57. Great!
58. Excellent!
59. I like your...(honesty, courtesy,
patience).
60. You took great care of your...
(brother, sister, friend).
61. Let's try that together.
62. You've been working hard on that.
63. I knew you could do it!
65. You've got it sorted now.
66. I saw you...(preserving, persisting,
thinking it out).
67. What a good score.
68. How clever to solve that by
yourself!
69. That's a good plan.
70. What great ideas.
71. I can see you have practised that.
72. Haven't you improved!
73. You did well when that was
difficult.
74. You really stuck at that!
75. It's OK, everyone makes mistakes.
76. You read that really well.
77. You solved those maths problems
quickly.
78. You have great spelling.
79. You followed the instructions well.
80. Great effort!
81. Please.
82. Thank you!
83. May I...
84. That is very kind.
85. Excuse me.
86. After you.
87. Thank you for having me...(to play,
stay).
88. Thank you for coming.
89. You're welcome!
90. Could you please...
91. My pleasure.
92. "John"...(always use the person's
name).
93. "Mr/Mrs"...(use an older person's
title).
94. Pardon?
95. Can I help you?
96. Could you wait a moment please?
97. Sorry!
98. That was my mistake!
99. I'd like your help.
100. I appreciate you doing that!

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Model these positive ways of talking to your children and watch them grow. You'll hear them speaking politely and respectfully to others. Take the time to look at them and use a warm and gentle way of speaking to show you are interested.

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