

■ Watching and listening develops language



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■ What we do and what it means

Mum: 'Up you come; is that better? You're happy now.'

We use our hands, eyes, face and words to communicate with very young babies, because this shows them how people communicate.

Soon, the baby's babbling noises will sound like adult talk. They begin to take turns and wait for a response.

Later, children will choose the right words and body language to communicate their feelings and needs.

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