

How to support children's learning?

Supporting and extending children's learning effectively depends upon detailed knowledge of each child: their personal characteristics, needs and interests.

In good relationships people interact easily, get to know each other well and are sensitive to each other's needs.

When building relationships with children think about these key interactions:

Types of Interaction	Aspects to help them engage, to become motivated and think
Verbal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Asking open questions• Encouraging talking,• Explaining how things work• Praising,• Expressing your thought processes,• Giving feedback in what they are doing,• Respecting efforts and ideas
Non-verbal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Observing• Active listening• Nodding in approval• Showing curiosity• Showing an interest• Eye contact• Being on their own level
Action	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Joining in• Encouraging new ideas• Copying what they are doing• Helping with task

