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Expansion

Expansion is a technique to promote your child's language development. It means that you are making an incomplete phrase more appropriate and accurate by matching it to the context and adding in missing words.

☺ **Advantages of using Expansion:**

☑ **Increase age-appropriate language input during play and daily routines**

☑ **Introduce new sentence structure and ways to combine words**

☑ **Promote functional communication**

Examples:

1. **CHILD says, 'Cow house'**
   PARENT says, 'The cow is in the house.'
2. **CHILD says, 'Sheep grass'**
   PARENT says, 'The sheep is eating the grass'

Notes:

★ **Build on words that the child has already said**

★ **Maintain the meaning of your child's intentions**

★ **Do not require your child to imitate**