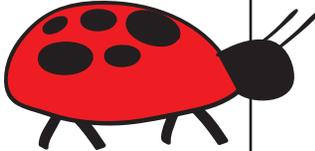
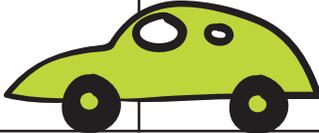


COMMUNICATING FOR FUN: TODDLER

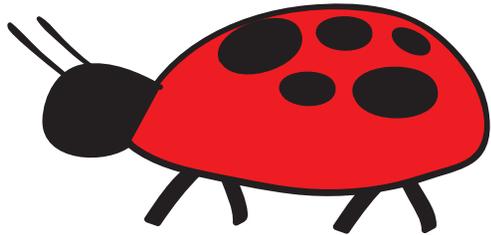
Parent and Child Activities to Promote Better Speech and Language and Hearing

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Go outside together. Take a jar to collect bugs.</p> <p>Collect and name the bugs, have your child name the bugs after you.</p> <p>Say, <i>"This is a cricket, can you say cricket?"</i></p> <p>Chirp like a cricket together.</p> 	<p>Build a house out of blocks with your child.</p> <p>Use some of the blocks as people or cars.</p> <p>Talk while you build and play.</p> <p>Say, <i>"Let's get some people for this house. Do the people need cars to drive?"</i></p>	<p>Talk about sizes using real objects.</p> <p>Take some blocks and point out big blocks and little blocks (measure the ones on this page too).</p> <p>Do the same with: bowls in your kitchen, containers, and balls.</p>	<p>Have your child pick a favourite toy.</p> <p>Have your child watch you hide the toy. Wait a few seconds and then ask him/her where the toy is.</p> <p>Take turns hiding the toys.</p> <p>Celebrate with cheers and clapping.</p> 	<p>FOLLOW ME</p> <p>Raise your voice and arm when saying, <i>"Up."</i> Lower your voice and arm when saying, <i>"Down."</i></p> <p>Have your child imitate you.</p> <p>Try this with other opposites: tall - short, big - small.</p>	<p>Sing <i>"The Hokey Pokey"</i>.</p> <p>Touch each body part so your child knows which one to stick out.</p>
					<p>SUNDAY</p> <p>Turn on some music that has no words.</p> <p>Give your child a crayon and paper and have them draw to the music.</p> 

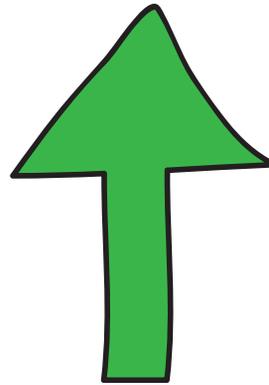
KEY WORDS

BUG, UP, DOWN

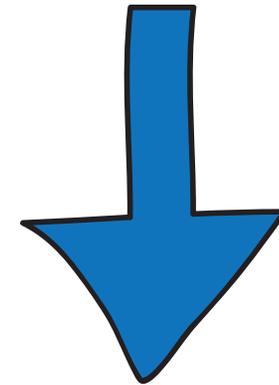
Repeat these words often during the week and give your child the opportunity to hear and say them.



Bug



Up



Down

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