

Speech Reader

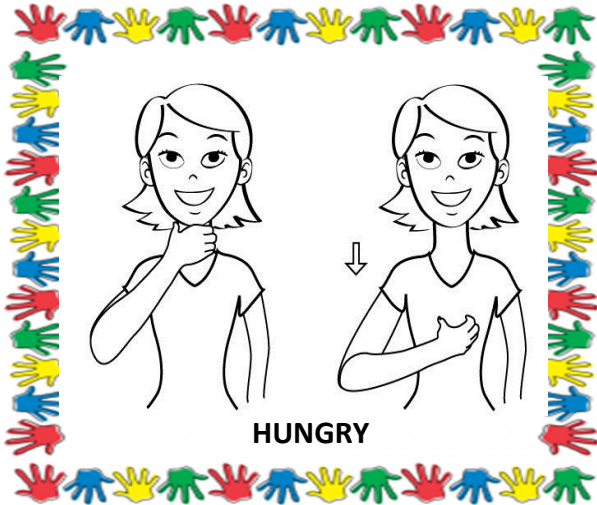
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HELPING HANDS

Using sign has been shown to aide in language growth and development. Below is a simple sign for dinner time.



Tip of the Week

This week as you find yourself recovering from the feasts of Thanksgiving with family and friends, take some time to think about the importance of sitting down at the table together for meals.

“Table talk” at meal time is a great way to embed language learning and development into a typical schedule for your family. Not only does table talk build both expressive and receptive language skills, but it also provides a natural context for the development of turn-taking skills needed for conversation.

Mealtime is an excellent way to build your child’s understanding of basic language concepts. This can be done by talking about the taste, texture, shape, and color of various foods and items at the table. So leave your cell phone in the living room, bring an empty belly, and plenty to say.

**There is only one rule:
No talking with your mouth full!**



Food for Thought

Language learning is based on experiences and opportunities. Through interaction with their world children learn meaning. Here are some ideas for concepts that are a natural part of the mealtime routine. Help your child learn language by using these simple ideas.

Nouns -food name, utensils, furniture, napkin, placemat, table cloth etc.

Actions -eat, drink, taste, chew, swallow, cut, pour

Opposite -hot/cold, sweet/sour, more/less, empty/full, all/none, half/whole, little/a lot, yummy/yucky

Adjectives Hot, cold, wet, crunchy, mushy, soupy, baked, fried, mashed, salty, thirsty