

SPECIAL PLAY TIME: PRIDE

Praise
Reflect
Imitate
Describe
Enthusiastic

Goals using PRIDE:

- Create connection, enjoyment and warmth in play and communication.
- Finding opportunities to lead and follow.
- Engage child in individual and group play.
- Increase the child's self-awareness and self-esteem.
- Increase attention and awareness to the play task.

Do Skills	Definition	Rationales	Examples
Praise- Labeled	Stating specifics about what you like about child's play, behaviors, accomplishments, words, cooperation, or personality.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creates connection and warmth • Increase positive interactions • Increase self esteem • Provide clarity about desired behavior 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Great job stacking the blocks • Wonderful job sharing with friends! • I like the way you are playing with an inside voice. • Thank you for asking with your words.
Reflect	Repeating or paraphrasing what the child says	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Places the child in the lead of communication • Reflecting your interest to the child • Demonstrates acceptance and understanding • Increases communication and speech. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child states, "The turtles are fighting" and shows the turtles hitting. • You respond: "The turtles are not happy. They are using hands to hit."
Imitate	Doing exactly what the child does or joining with the child in play.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permits the child to lead the play • Teaches cooperative play. • Shows interest and approval towards the child's play ideas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I am making a tower, just like you. • Oh, I love your idea. I am going to share my blocks with James also.
Describe Child's Behavior	Talking and describing aloud about what the child is doing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reinforces child-led play • Models speech • Increasing attention to the play task • Organizes the child's thoughts and activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Here we go, you are flying the plane in the air. • The baby is crying, now you are feeding the baby.
Enthusiasm (use it)	Show excitement, enthusiasm, playfulness, and interest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holding interest of child • Creates joy and connection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playful words • Animated body language to match words

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