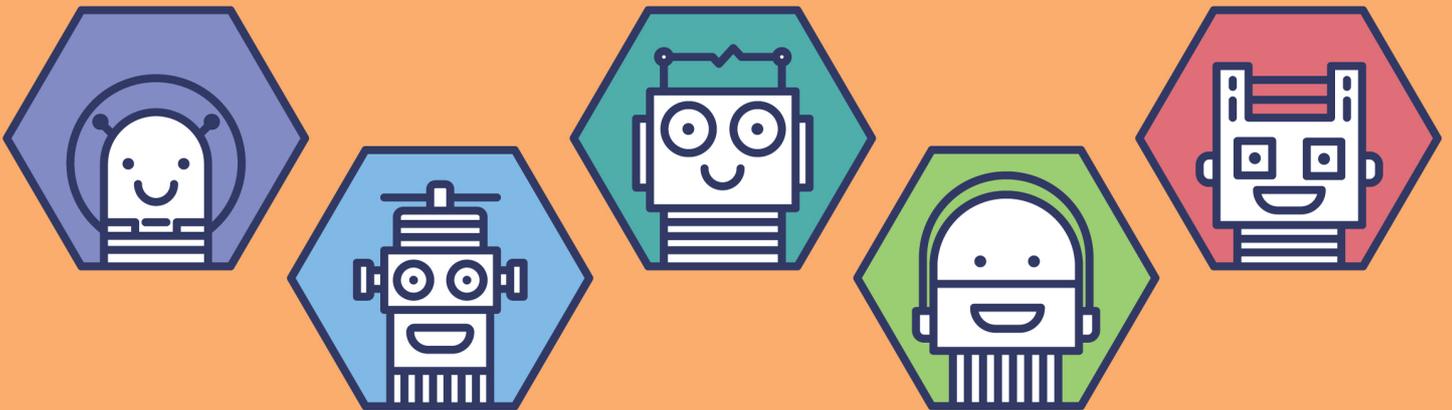




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The Speech, Language & Communication Pathway

A journey to support children for parents, carers and professionals.



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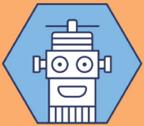
The Balanced System® framework is a way of making sure that in a setting, school or local area, the right provisions are available for parents, carers and professionals to help children and young people develop their speech, language and communication.

The framework is organised in five strands or themes and across three levels. All of these are important to get the whole system working at its best.

The Five Strands



Family Support - How children develop communication and the role you play



Environment - How to make the home or setting a place that helps with understanding, talking and communicating



Workforce - Training to develop skills in supporting children's speech, language and communication



Identification - What to expect when and how to identify children's speech, language and communication needs



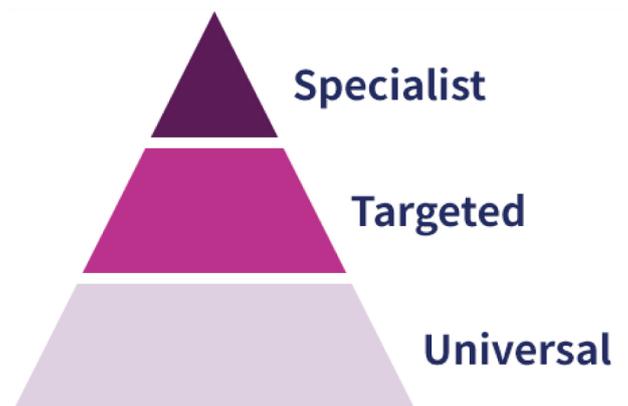
Intervention - Ideas to develop children's communication skills

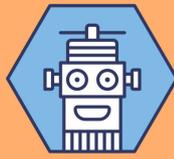
The Three Levels

Specialist - information and resources either to support more complicated speech, language and communication needs or to provide more specialist information and help.

Targeted - information and resources more directly useful for children and young people and their families where there is a likely worry about speech, language and communication or a need has been identified already.

Universal - general information and resources for all children and families.





Your home - Universal: How to help at home with my child / young person's understanding, talking or communication

NLT Tips for talking leaflets

Cost: Free



Links

Website:

<https://literacytrust.org.uk/resources/tips-talking-your-baby-and-young-child/>

Services - Universal: People who can help with my child / young person's understanding, talking and communication

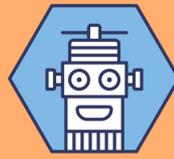
Speech and Language Chatter Matters

Cost: Free

Speech and Language UK 

Links

Website: <https://vimeo.com/showcase/5967631>



Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/SpeechAndLangUK>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/SpeechAndLangUK>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/icancharity/>

Activities - Universal: Things to do that can help my child / young person with their understanding, talking and communication

Copy and add to my words!



Who can help

Name: Speech and Language Therapy Service

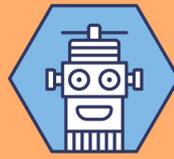
Email: ChildrensSLT@nottshc.nhs.uk

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Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/nottslanguageforlife/?locale=en_GB

Talk to me during daily routines!





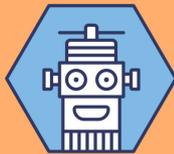
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Your Pathway



Information and advice to help my child / young person's understanding, talking and communication



Information and advice to help my child / young person who is having difficulty understanding, talking or communicating



Information and advice to help my child / young person who has identified speech, language and communication needs



How to help at home with my child / young person's understanding, talking or communication

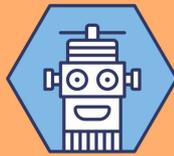


How to give extra help at home with my child / young person's understanding, talking and communication



How to make changes and give specific help at home with my child / young person's understanding, talking and communication

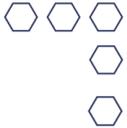




People who can help with my child / young person's understanding, talking and communication



People who can help me with concerns around my child / young person's understanding, talking and communication



People who can help me with identified concerns around my child / young person's understanding, talking or communication



How to know what to expect and when with my child / young person's understanding, talking and communication

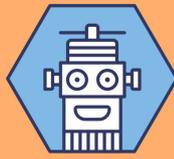


Where to go for extra help about what to expect, and when, with my child / young person's understanding, talking or communication skills



Where to go for specialist help about what to expect, and when, with my child / young person's understanding, talking or communication skills





Things to do that can help my child / young person with their understanding, talking and communication



What particular things I can do to help my child / young person with their understanding, talking or communication



Specialist activities I can do to help my child / young person with their understanding, talking or communication

