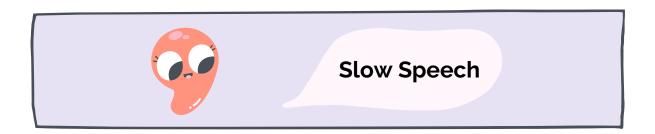
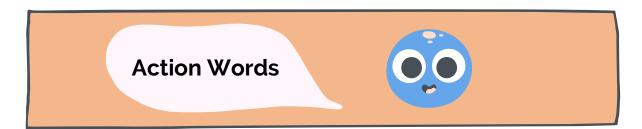


## SIMPLIFY LANGUAGE

### **BY USING:**











# ALL CHILDREN BENEFIT WHEN WE USE SIMPLE, CONCRETE AND CLEAR LANGUAGE.

#### **BE NEARBY**

01

Position yourself close to the child. For example, being at arm's length. Speak slowly and calmly. **ACTION WORDS** 

02

Use words that tell the child what to do. For example, saying, "Put boots on."

#### **FEWER WORDS**

03

Communicate by using the least amount of words possible.

#### WAIT FOR THE CHILD TO PROCESS



After communicating a message, allow time for the child to process what you said. Wait 10 to 15 seconds between giving and repeating instructions.

#### VERIFY COMPREHENSION

Check in with the child to verify they understood the message.

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#### COMMUNICATION TOOLS

Support the child's
communication needs by using visuals, objects, signs or gestures.

#### FIRST / THEN

Simplify a sequence by saying to the child what happens before and after.