

SPEECH & LANGUAGE HOMEWORK: PUZZLES

This activity focuses on the following speech and language skills: naming and identifying vocabulary, following routine, requesting, and following 1 or 2 step directions.

Materials: Simple peg puzzles

Directions:

1. Show your child the puzzle. Name each animal/object on the puzzle. You can also say the noises they make too.
2. Take the pieces off and give them to your child.
3. Ask for each item from your child, say "I want _____. _____ please!". If they have trouble picking it out, point to it and show them your open hand. Repeat until you have put all the pieces back on the puzzle.
4. Switch roles, you keep the pieces and have your child request either using the name of the piece or by signing "more"/"please".
5. An alternative goal could be to give your child a puzzle piece followed by the command "put on", you may need to gesture where the piece should go.
6. If your child is ready for 2-step directions, put two puzzle pieces out and say, "Put on __ then put on __". You may need to point or use gestures as needed.

