

Open-Ended Questions

Ask a question that requires more than a yes/no answer.

How does it work?

Start by asking an open-ended question.

What do you think is going to happen next?

What would you do?

Can you tell me about your weekend?

How are we going to...?

Why did he feel that way?



Use strategies like *Wait Time*, *Expectant Look*, and *Acoustic Highlighting* to help signal to your child that it's their turn to respond. If your child seems confused by an open-ended question, offer choices to support their understanding.

Why do we do it?



Open-ended questions offer children more flexibility in their language to provide thoughts and opinions.



This strategy helps build your child's auditory attention, length of utterances, and turn taking in conversation.



These types of questions allow for your child to engage in meaningful conversations with adults and eventually with their peers.