

Parent Coaching Tips when Supporting Gestalt Language Processors



Reduce pressure: Model without expectation



Avoid the word YOU. Use: I, We, Let's, We, We're, That, It's, etc.



Avoid too many questions. Give choices instead: "Would you like apple or orange?"



Use all modalities of communication, such as signs, gestures, words, and AAC



Pause and acknowledge. No need to ALWAYS model.



Avoid direct labeling in Stage 1. Give general gestalt models that can later be broken down.