

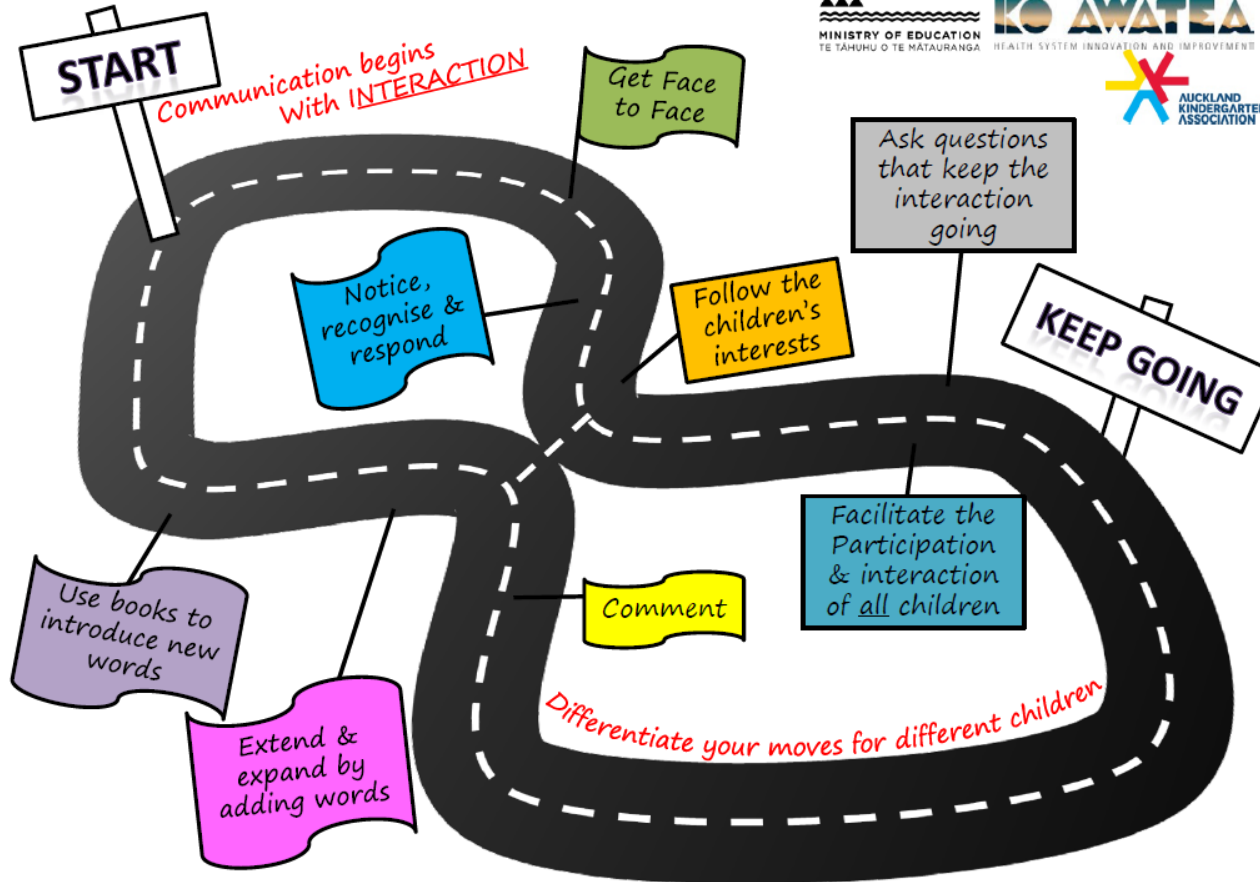
Accelerating language development

“Thought is not merely expressed in words; it comes into existence through them.”

– Lev Vygotsky

Presentation by Emma Quigan
Talking Matters Network meeting

ROAD MAP TO ACCELERATE ORAL LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT



3 Anecdotes

1 Plan

1) Kakano Early Childhood Centre

PDSA #1 Sea Creatures

BEFORE



AFTER



PDSA #1.1 Teacher knowledge



PDSA #2 (Child Knowledge)



PDSA # 2.2 Word Bank



Intentional teaching and regularly planning how to extend children's language and thinking

2) Massey YMCA Early Learning Centre

- The power of close and purposeful engagement
- It's not something we do all the time
- Link between positive interaction and pro-social behaviour



3) Warm and reciprocal engagement

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ztpvzelxNnc>

.....is it enough on it's own?



How many words did he hear?

How many higher level content words?

Concepts?

Plan

- With the person next to you (or alone if you prefer) spend the next five minutes thinking about **what you do** to light up a child's brain
- In light of today's discussion, what is **one new** thing you can test/action/implement in a personal capacity?
- What is **one new** thing you can test/action/implement in a leadership capacity ?

What next

- Take notes about what worked well with your plan
- Was there unexpected learning? If so, what was it?
- What else did you do?

We will discuss the plans at our next network meeting:
-learn from each other
-and build our compendium of anecdotes



"And then Winnie the Pooh decided that it was time to check Daddy's e-mail again."