



School Resource List

A parent's guide to creating language-rich environments



Books

Childhood speech, language, and listening problems: What every parent should know (2nd edition). By Patricia McAleer-Hamaguchi

This up-to-date resource shares valuable information about speech and language development, warning signs, assessment information, and characteristics of different communication difficulties. The author gives real-life examples to help parents understand speech, language, and listening problems.

Helping kids discover and develop language (2nd edition). By Heide Emrich, Dolores Paliani, Kim Prescott, Diane Waselenko, and Genese Warr-Leeper

This book shares basic information about speech and language development. It describes speech and language milestones and warning signs for children 0 through 10 years of age. It gives many parent-friendly ideas to help families build their child's language skills. This book also has the same information in French.

The basics of success: How to give your child an edge in school (2nd edition). By Sheelagh Schulze and Ethna Henning

This handbook is easy to read and shares valuable information about the key factors that help children become successful in school. It talks about language development in children from birth to 12+ years. It describes simple strategies and everyday activities to help promote listening and talking.

A mind at a time. By Mel Levine

This book helps parents, caregivers, and teachers understand how children learn differently, how to adjust for these differences, and how to learn from these differences. It talks about how the brain helps children succeed in school and the troubles the brain may have. The book also helps families to notice when a child has learning difficulties, and encourages families to identify and encourage their child's strengths.

Ask about
these
resources at
your public
library.

English Express. Family literacy: Learning together (Special Issues #1-8)

By Alberta Learning

This is a newspaper series on family literacy. These 8 issues give information about language and literacy, and practical tips that help young children, ages 1 through 6. You can get copies from public libraries, community agencies, public health centres, or other agencies.



The parent advantage: Helping children become more successful learners at home and school, grades 1-9.

Alberta Education, Special Education Branch

This handbook was first put together for parents of students with learning disabilities, however, the information is useful for any student. The *Parent Advantage* suggests how parents can help their children get organized for learning and studying.



Websites

www.asha.org

This is the website for the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA). This website gives general information to families on speech and language development, speech and language disorders, pre-reading skills, and swallowing. Easy and useful strategies are outlined for families on various topics.

www.pbs.org/parents

This website has a variety of topics including reading and language development in children ages 0 through 9 years. It describes listening, talking, reading, and writing expectations for each age-range. Everyday activities are given to help parents encourage their child's language and literacy skills.

**Health Link Alberta's Your Health Website: www.healthlinkalberta.ca
This link can also be reached at www.calgaryhealthregion.ca or www.capitalhealth.ca**

Your Health contains health information about disorders, tests, diseases, symptoms, and much more. Included on this website is speech and language information for families of children from birth to 12 years of age.