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### Joining lots of Words Together

## How can you help?

### 1. Expand

Model sentences that are slightly longer than your child already says.

### 2. Copy & Add

Help me expand my sentences by repeating back and adding a word to what I say e.g. if I say "Daddy car" you could say "Daddy's driving the car".

### 3. Story Time

Make up a story together or tell one that your child knows well.

Take turns to say what happens next.



### 4. Add New Ideas

Build on the words your child already knows, for example 'car'.

- Name things "that's a car"
- Describe "the car's going fast"
- Explain "the car won't go because the wheel's broken"
- Pretend "pretend we are going to Grandma's in the car"
- Talk about feelings "you like cars"
- Talk about the future "tomorrow we will go for a ride in the car"

This way your child will hear the words you use and can copy them.