

Parents will:

1. Experience the magic and delight that comes from strengthened connections with their toddler.
2. Gain confidence in using language facilitation techniques.
3. Develop realistic expectations of their toddler.
4. See that they play an important role in positively affecting how their toddler interacts and communicates.



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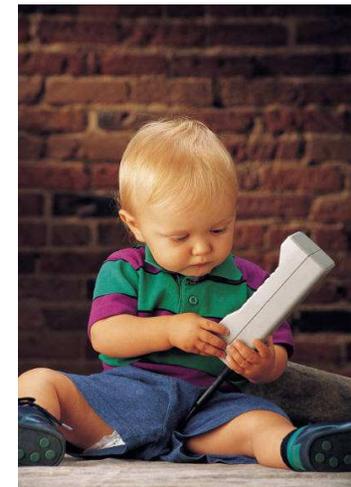
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Mother Goose Toddler Talk

**Ages 18 to
36 months**



**INCREASING FAMILIES USE OF
EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION
TECHNIQUES**



WHAT IS MOTHER GOOSE TODDLER TALK?

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MOTHER GOOSE TODDLER TALK is a parent and toddler training language development program created to help you work with your child's communication skills at home.

MOTHER GOOSE TODDLER TALK promotes parent's use of interaction strategies during their child's crucial early stages of learning to talk by using songs, rhymes and stories to foster language development.

This program runs in Salmon Arm at various times throughout the year. Location, dates and times to be determined.

You will:

1. Acquire lots of interaction opportunities using songs & rhymes to promote your child's communication skills.
2. Do fun in-circle small group activities.
3. Learn how to promote your child's language skills.

WHO IS MOTHER GOOSE TODDLER TALK FOR?

Parents of young children (between 18 and 36 months) whose toddler has been identified by a Speech-Language Pathologist or Infant Development Consultant as having a delay in their communication development or at risk for a delay in their communication.

WHAT HAPPENS AT MOTHER GOOSE TODDLER TALK?

Families meet with a Speech-Language Pathologist and a Group Facilitator once a week.

The learning atmosphere is relaxed and fun with an hour of learning, listening, laughing, playing and doing.

The teaching is directed at you, the parent, with your toddler joining in on activities. We sit on the floor, learn action rhymes, songs, tell stories, and do fun actions while practicing newly taught language facilitation strategies.



WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

Learning how to talk is not easy as it seems! A toddler who can successfully communicate wants and needs will:

- Feel secure, more confident, and independent
- Use more words to tell you their needs, interests, and feelings
- Be easier to manage, less frustrated, because they are able to communicate more successfully those things which are important to them
- Develop their social interactions by being able to connect with others around them