

Activity

Talking about things outside

Talking to children about what they see or hear teaches them new words.

Ask your child questions about things he/she sees outside:

- What color is it?
- What do you see?
- How does it feel?
- What shape is this?
- What does that remind you of?
- How would it look if it was snowing?





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To help your child succeed, you can:

- Talk about something your child can touch and feel.
- Ask your child questions about things he/she is really interested in (rocks, mud, butterflies).
- Ask your child simple questions (Is this rock smooth?)
- Help your child to describe things with more than one word (brown, smooth, hard).

To make this activity more challenging, you can:

- Describe something nearby and see if your child can find it. Have your child describe something for you and try to find it.
- Play with your child at putting things into categories (beetles are insects, an acorn is a nut, a rose is a flower).
- Talk about how things would look different in other weather conditions, or times of the day.
- Ask your child to imagine how things would look different if your child were the size of an ant.

