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Talking During Water Activities



Summer is loaded with water fun. Whether the location is grandma's pool, the beach, in the sink or bath time, water play lends itself to fun experiences. An experience gives words and concepts meaning, especially for children. Below are some ideas and concepts that you can talk about during water activities. Remember to model simple language and positively reinforce any verbal attempts. Get wet and have fun!

Vocabulary and Concepts Ideas for Water Time activities:

- Naming: Label common objects and parts: hose, nozzle, pool, diving board, ladder, waterslide, goggles, raft, waves, bath toys, drain, showerhead, towel, body parts
- Describing Actions: Talk about what is happening using words like: splash, squirt, drip, wash, pour, rinse, dry, kick, jump, dive
- Concepts: float/sink, wet/dry, cold/hot, clean/dirty, shallow/deep
- Build vocabulary using adjectives like: slippery, rough, cool, soft, soapy, wavy, sandy, warm, chilly.
- Time: next, first, after, before, later
- Location: Teach spatial terms: under, down, next to, in back, in, out.

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