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# House Play

## Needed Materials

A play house/farm and little people/animals.

## How To Play

While playing house/farm, have the toys complete some actions. You, the parent, narrate these actions. At first, you may be doing most of the talking using the present progressive. However, your child is listening and that is a very important step.

After a few times playing house and listening to the present progressive, encourage your child to use the same grammatical structure. Your child may already be repeating your sentences. If this is the case, that's great! If your child is not repeating, ask your child to repeat your present progressive sentences. Ask one or two times max. Don't press it too much. It is not necessary.

The last step is to encourage your child to say the present progressive without any verbal models. To do this, play with your child. When your child describes the action of a little person such as "she sleeps," gently correct your child to yes "she is sleeping."

## Tips

- Don't turn playtime into a quiz or a stressful environment by pressuring your child to repeat too much or by over-correcting too often.
- By you, the parent, using the present progressive a lot while playing with your child, you accelerate the learning process.
- Remember to keep it natural!

Notes To Parents: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes To Speech Therapist: \_\_\_\_\_