Ways to let your child lead play

Letting your child take the lead when you play will help them to develop early listening skills

- Don’t have too many toys out and let the child choose what they play with
- Repeat words and phrases lots of times as you play
- Let them choose how to play with the toys – even if it isn’t the ‘proper’ way to play with them!
- Comment on what they are doing using simple language
- Get down to their level and watch and copy what they are doing
- Wait for them to initiate communication with you through words or eye contact or gestures

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