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Activity Guide 1

Developing Good Listening Skills

Key stage 1 • Years 1 & 2

ACTIVITY 1: Developing Good Listening Skills

Learning objective:

- ▶ Children learn the importance of being able to listen well.
- ▶ Children understand some basic listening skills.
- ▶ Children can explain what good listening skills are.

Learning approach:

To set up this activity we recommend that you print out the three listening skills poster printables provided and have your child colour them in. They don't have to be the same colours as we use for our Rose character - they can use different colours, patterns... anything goes!

After that, introduce each of the three listening skills to your child, looking at the posters together as you do so. The three listening skills are:

- ▶ Look at someone when they are talking to you, make eye contact.
- ▶ Nod your head to show you understand what they are saying.
- ▶ Ask questions if you don't understand.

For each of these skills, take a couple of minutes to discuss with your child why they are important. Next, work together to come up with an action that illustrates each skill. This should be something fun and memorable.

You may choose to encourage your child to use this action whenever you reference that particular listening skill.

Top tips:

- ▶ Keeping it simple at this stage is really important, we want your child to embed these skills and be able to remember them.
- ▶ Do try and engage your child in the actions as this will really help them to remember the skills.

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