

## **Suggestions for talking and listening activities for May 25<sup>th</sup> for my girls.**

### **1. Try to solve these problems by talking to Mam or Dad or another adult.**

- Your friends came over to your house for a movie night. One of your friends brought another friend so there are more people than you planned for. You want to pass out the drinks but you only have five cans of soda and you need 6 for everyone to have one. What could you do?
- After football practice you go back to the dressing room with your team to shower and change. When you are done dressing, you can't find your shoes. What could you do?
- You have been waiting all day for lunch to come because you are starving. Finally class gets over and you get to go to lunch. Except when you go to get to your lunch, it's not there. You probably left it at home. What could you do?
- There is a girl in your class who is always mean to you. She always bumps you when she walks by and she calls you names. She knocks stuff out of your hands and makes you feel stupid. You don't think you can take it anymore. What could you do?
- You really want to invite this new girl to come to your birthday party, but you have never talked to her before. You are worried she will say no. What could you do?
- You wake up and see that your alarm never went off. So you are starting your morning 15 minutes later than you planned. It is a really important day at school and you cannot be late. What could you do?
- You are eating dinner at a fancy restaurant with your parents and their friends. You have a really messy dinner and accidentally flip a noodle into the lady's lap. They are busy talking and don't notice it. What could you do?
- You are taking a test and there is no talking allowed. You are writing your answers on the paper and your pencil breaks. What could you do?

### **2. Dice Category:**

Decide on 6 categories eg 1= clothes, 2= animals, 3= transport etc.

Throw the dice to decide the category.

Throw the dice again to name 5 things in that category. If you get that number again, you must name 5 different things,

Rg ANIMALS: 1= pets, 2= zoo animals, 3= farm animals, 4 = jungle animals, 5 = wild animals, 6 = any animal.

### **3. Garden/ backyard Scavenger Hunt.**

You can read these and ask your brother or sister to do the following or someone can read them for you. See who finds the most.

- Find something that makes a crunch sound.
- Find something that smells good.
- Find something smooth.
- Find 3 of the same thing.
- Find something that smells bad.
- Find a yellow flower.
- Find 3 different shaped leaves.
- Find something that is red.
- Find something that flies.
- Name 2 things that you see on the sky.
- Find something that is long.
- Find something that grows that is green.
- Find 2 birds.
- Find some water.

### **4. Tongue Twisters.**

Enjoy our funny tongue twisters and have fun trying to say some of the most difficult sentences in the English language.

Check out old classics such as Peter Piper as well as short sentences such as 'three free throws' and 'good blood, bad blood' that appear simple until you actually try saying them out loud. Say the sentences as fast as you can and see how many times you can finish each tongue twister without making a mistake. Good luck!

- She sells seashells on the seashore.
- Flash message. Flash message.
- Mix a box of mixed biscuits with a boxed biscuit mixer.

- A proper copper coffee pot.
- I saw Esau sitting on a seesaw. Esau, he saw me.
- Toy boat. Toy boat. Toy boat.
- Lovely lemon liniment.
- Six thick thistle sticks. Six thick thistles stick.
- Good blood, bad blood.
- Three free throws. The instinct of an extinct insect stinks.
- Comical economists. Comical economists.
- Which wristwatches are Swiss wristwatches?
- Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers,  
A peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper picked.  
If Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers,  
Where's the peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper picked?
- One-One was a racehorse.  
Two-Two was one, too.  
When One-One won one race,  
Two-Two won one, too.

## 5. Animal Jokes.

Try these out on someone at home.

- Why do bees hum? Because they don't know the words.
- Why do birds fly south for the winter? Because it's too far to walk.
- What goes up slowly and comes down quickly? An elephant in a lift.
- Why is there a crab in prison? Because he kept pinching things!
- What do you call a brainy insect? A spelling bee.
- Why did the man throw the butter out the window? Because he wanted to see butterfly.
- What happened to the cat that swallowed a ball of wool? She had mittens.
- How do porcupines kiss each other? Very carefully.
- What do you give an elephant with big feet? Plenty of room!
- Why did the chicken cross the road? To get to the other side.
- What do you call a fish with no eyes? A fsh.
- Why does everyone love cats? Because they're purr-fect!
- Where do cows go with their friends? The mooovies!
- How do you keep an elephant in suspense? I'll tell you tomorrow.
- What do you call a fly without wings? A walk.

## 6. Odd one out.

You need to listen carefully to the words Mam or Dad say and decide which is the odd one out..

Here are a few examples of odd one out questions that you might like to use:

John, Steve, Matthew, Kate - Answer: Kate (because it's a girl's name)

Brother, Mother, Friend, Daughter - Answer: Friend (because they aren't family)

Summer, Winter, Spring, March - Answer: March (because it's a month, not a season)

Tokyo, Sydney, New York, Brazil - Answer: Brazil (because it's a country, not a city)

Enjoy!