

Listening and talking together

Try...

Repeat and revisit



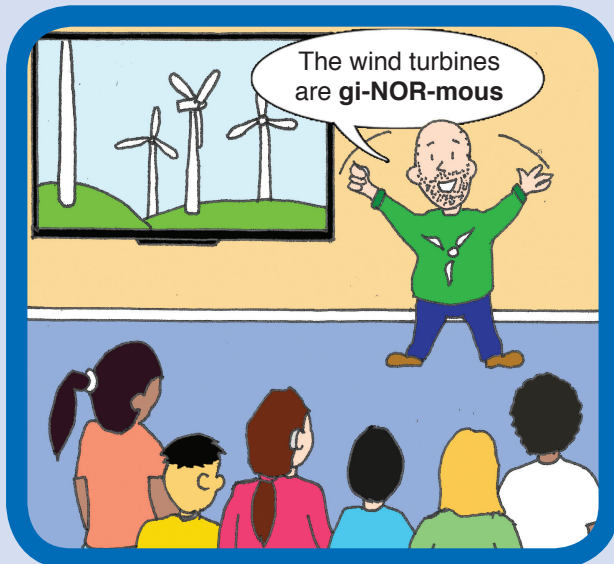
- It is crucial that the adult explains and then repeats new vocabulary across a range of experiences.
- Children need to hear and experience a new word many times before they understand and use it.

Give thinking time



- Wait...count to 7 in your head before saying something else.
- Encourage children to ask for clarification.
- It can take some children a long time to process, plan and do.

Use gestures meaningfully



- Using gesture helps children to concentrate and reinforces new learning.
- When you use gesture, it gives more time for thinking.

Be careful with questions



- It is important to balance comments with questions, particularly for new learning.
- Questions can develop problem solving when they are simple enough to understand.