## Strategies for helping children with Language/Communication difficulties

- 1. How many beats in the word?
  - a. Clap out the number of beats in the name of an object.
    - Door=1, Ta-ble= 2, com-pu-ter=3
- 2. Repetition and modelling
  - a. Child names an object, adult repeats it, child repeats it again.
- 3. Carry out a series of instructions
  - a. Point to..
  - b. Put object 1, object 2 and objet 3 in the bag
  - c. Put 3 things in order, first, next, last and answer questions
- 4. Picture sequences
  - a. Use a sequence of pictures to tell a simple story.
- 5. Story telling
  - a. Re tell a familiar story.
- 6. Guessing game
  - a. Listen to statements can they guess what the object is?
    - It is small, round, green and juicy to eat ( apple)
    - It has 4 wheels, 2 4 or 5 doors, it can be different colours,

people travel in it ( car)

- 7. Sound awareness skills
  - a. Which words rhyme? ( cat, mat, dog, sat)
  - b. What is the first sound of a word? Cat= c, dog = d
  - c. Blend sounds to make a word. (c-a-t, ch-i-p, m-a-n)
- 8. Name an object and describe:
  - a. What it is used for

- b. Where it is found/used
- c. Size
- d. Colour
- e. What it is made of
- f. What set or group it belongs to
- g. Name some other objects that belong to the same set.
- 9. Name an object and the set or group it belongs to, can they say what else would belong to the same set?
  - A jumper belongs to the clothes set, what else belongs to the clothes set? (skirt, trousers, coat hat etc)