







Language Learning Interactions

These are links to a sample of evidence-based approaches to enhance language learning and to support professional development of the workforce.

 <p>Speech and Language UK (Formerly ICAN)</p>	<p>Resources to support professionals working with children and young people https://speechandlanguage.org.uk/talking-point/for-professionals/</p> <p>Top tips for early years practitioners www.youtube.com/watch?v=jogVklInnPoY</p> <p>Scaffolding www.youtube.com/watch?v=55-SlwjXngI</p>
 <p>SLCF Speech, Language and Communication Framework</p>	<p>Speech, Language and Communication Framework is a free online professional development tool. www.slcframework.org.uk</p>
 <p>The Communication Trust Every child understood</p>	<p>An Introduction to Supporting Children’s Speech, Language and Communication is a half day CPD module. www.thecommunicationtrust.org.uk/projects/professionaldevelopment/online-short-course/</p>
 <p>The Hanen Centre Helping You Help Children Communicate</p>	<p>The Hanen Centre has a range of useful articles and information for practitioners. www.hanen.org/Home.aspx https://www.youtube.com/c/TheHanenCentre</p>
 <p>TINY Happy PEOPLE <i>Your words build their world</i></p>	<p>Accessible resources to promote language skills through activity and play for caregivers. https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people</p>
 <p>EARLY INTERVENTION FOUNDATION</p>	<p>A useful resource guide of toys and activities to support caregiver-child interaction https://www.eif.org.uk/resource/activities-and-toys-that-support-caregiver-child-interaction-in-the-early-years</p>

Language Learning Environments

These are links to a sample of evidence-based tools to support practitioners to reflect on their provision, identify areas of need and plan an approach to develop their environment for all children.

Better Communication Research Programme- Communication Supporting Classroom Observation Tool	CSC Observation Tool (warwick.ac.uk) (tool can be used in early years and early primary settings)
National Literacy Trust: HELLO improvement framework: Helping nurseries improve their language and literacy provision	HELLO improvement framework: Helping nurseries improve their language and literacy provision National Literacy Trust
The CIRCLE Collaboration Early Years Up, up and away! resource is for children who may be at risk for poor achievement in language, literacy and learning; in early years settings, at school and in later life.	CIRCLE Early Years. Up up and away September 2019.pdf (autismtoolbox.co.uk)

Language Learning Opportunities

These are links to a sample of evidence-based guidance and resources which can be used by practitioners to enable them to consider how they support language development in their setting/role.

Scottish Government Early Learning and Childcare Modules	Free online modules available to all early learning and childcare (ELC) practitioners providers and open to all ELC workers. There is a specific module on language learning and literacy. https://www.gov.scot/publications/training-modules-for-all-elc-practitioners/
Best Start in Speech, Language and Communication, Public Health England Research Summary	Guidance to help improve SLC in the early years, including an Early Language Identification Measure and Intervention tool for use with children aged 2 to 2 and a half. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/best-start-in-speech-language-and-communication
Early Intervention Foundation	A self-assessment tool to help measure how advanced your local area is in creating a local system to help children in their early years to thrive and to guide planning to make this local system more effective. https://www.eif.org.uk/resource/eif-maturity-matrix-speech-language-communication-early-years
Equity for All – Better Communication	Report published in 2022 drawing on a comprehensive quantitative and qualitative analysis of the speech, language and communication needs of children and young people in Scotland and the speech and language therapy provision to meet need. https://www.bettercommunication.org.uk/downloads/2022%20Equity%20for%20All%20Final%20for%20Publication.pdf