

Turn thin into thick

Thick conversations:

- Give your child many chances to speak.
- Encourage your child to think and imagine.
- Have many back-and-forth exchanges.
 - Help build positive relationships.

One way to turn a thin conversation...

Adult: Do you want to play with the boat? Child: Yes.

Adult: What color is it? Child: Blue.

Adult: Who will ride in the boat? **Child:** The man.



...into a **thick** one.

Adult: Which toy do you like to play with the most?

Child: The boat.

Adult: Oh, the boat is your favorite. What will you do with the boat?

Child: The man is going to ride on it.

Adult: Where is the man going?

Child: Into the bubbles.

Adult: The bubbles are thick. Watch out!

Child: Help! The man is falling out!

Adult: Oh no! Who will help the man?

Child: I'll get the whale!

Adult: The whale to the rescue!



