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A guide on how to talk to children if you don't know how to but need to for your profession.

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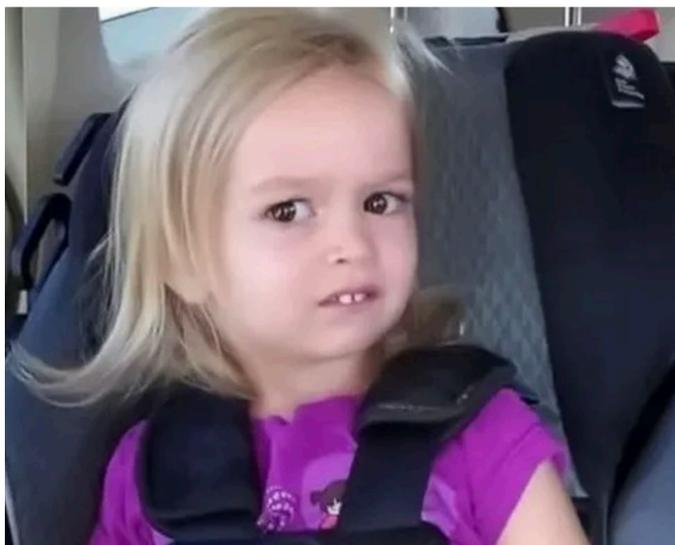


It may be intimidating talking to a child for the first time especially if you never have before. It takes training, effort and tactics. "Children can smell desperation like dogs smell fear". Most people who struggle with speaking with children have the mentality that one conversation can fit all sort of situations when dealing with children, this couldn't be more wrong. It is important to consider that the way you speak and approach children depends on their age range



Its okay you can calm down, its not like children are completely different species. Its okay to see them as a big indecipherable globbly mass of kidness because that's what they are. The first thing you have to consider before you talk to a child is to figure out their age. This will allow you to know how long their attention span will be and how to approach them in a way that they will understand. Infant sign language is the use of manual signing allowing infants and toddlers to communicate emotions, desires, and objects prior to spoken language development.

Many people find the "baby voice" annoying and sometimes even idiotic but it is actually the best way to speak to infants because it grabs their attention, same as when you exaggerate your speech. If you are not comfortable with that you may consider infant sign language, With toddlers it is a lot easier than you think, keep in mind that even little kids can think about big topics and when they do it is important to consider them with great seriousness



Different Age Groups

Infants	Toddlers 12-24months	School Age 3-7
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infants directed high pitched voice • Exaggerated speech • Infant sign language 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ask open-ended questions to stimulate conversations • Lots of language engagements • Name and identify objects, experiences and feelings by using descriptive words 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grown-up approach • Politeness, friendliness and compliments • An array of different topics to converse about

The older children get the more they want to be seen as individual not a kid. That's why when talking to school age children it is important to give them compliments because they love to be recognized by adults. They also like to be treated like little adults it makes them more acknowledged and important

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