

## How to Interpret Your Child's Messages

At the...

### Own Agenda stage:

Use...

- single words or short, grammatically correct sentences
- words PLUS an action or gesture
- fun words, when you can
- the child's point of view

And then...

- give your child what he or she wants, right away

### Requester stage:

### Early Communicator stage:

### Partner stage:

Use...

- correct, grammatical phrases or sentences
- words PLUS an action or gesture
- the child's point of view

And then...

- give your child what he or she wants, right away if possible
- say something related to what he or she just said

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