

20 Summertime Speech & Language Activities for Toddlers

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- Blow bubbles - helps build vocabulary and strengthens muscles of the mouth
- Play outside – improves fine and gross motor, social skills, and language skills
- Read a book – builds speech and language skills
- Go on a scavenger hunt – builds language skills and works on following directions
- Eat a popsicle – strengthen the mouth muscles for speech with this summer treat.
- Go swimming – improves gross motor skills and vocabulary
- Play with a friend around the same age – develops social skills and language
- Draw with sidewalk chalk – works on fine motor and colors
- Make mud pies – this is a fun sensory activity
- Have a picnic – builds vocabulary and how to follow directions
- Take a walk outside – can improve vocabulary and describing skills
- Plant a flower – this is a sensory activity and helps with following directions
- Make some cookies - targets following directions, sequencing, and vocabulary
- Finger paint – helps with learning colors and basic concepts
- Build a sandcastle – sensory activity
- Make lemonade – works on ability to follow directions, sequencing, & wakes up the mouth for speech
- Free play – this is just fun and increases speech and language skills
- Play at a park – Target vocabulary and sound repetition while playing
- Attend story time at your local library – builds speech and social skills
- Visit the zoo – targets animal sounds and vocabulary

