

TALK with musical toys



Firstly...

Face your child, get down to their level and watch what they do.

Then start to **copy** their play or sounds and add new sounds for them to copy

"Shake shake...shake!"

In activities...

Follow your child's lead. If they tap it gently once, you tap it gently once, if they bang hard, you do the same.

Take turns to play the instrument.
Repeat "Daddy's turn, ****'s turn".

Offer a choice: "Shall I bang the drum or tap the triangle?"

Encourage your child to close their eyes. Move to different parts of the room and play an instrument. Can they point to where the sound is coming from?

Words they should hear...

**more, again,
finished**

**bang, tap, hit,
shake, hold**

**loud, quiet, hard,
soft**

**names of the
instruments**