Connecting with Kids Who Are Non-Verbal

Give praise



"I love the way you are building that Lego tower!"

Reflect back joyful vocalizations or expressions of excitement



(e.g., laughing along with your child, gasping when your child indicates surprise)

Imitate your child or join in on preferred activities



(e.g., clap along with your child, play your child's favorite video game, or sit next to them as they watch their favorite TV show)

Describe or narrate their actions



"You look so excited!"

