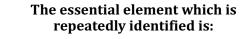


Research and studies have identified the elements of a quality early childhood program

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A trained, responsive teacher caregiver, who builds positive relationships Every Child Needs Someone Who Believes They Are Wonderful: You Are That Person For Many Children



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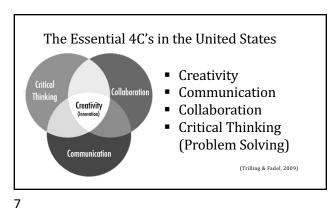
A language model during the window of opportunity for development

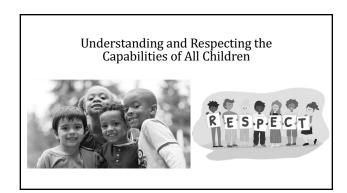
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Conversations that are interactive or essential to the language development

- > Serve and Return
- Reciprocal
- > Be an active listener
- Be sensitive to the "wait" period

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## **Creative Confidence**

- You have willingness to try and take safe risks
- You are persistent and capable of doing difficult things
- You welcome challenges and value new ideas
- You know mistakes are opportunities to retry, learn, and grow





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A trained and continually learning person who demonstrates this love for learning

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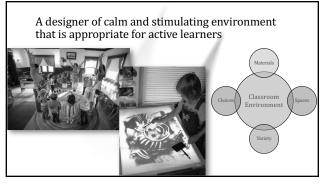


"Children who are read one book a day, will hear about 290,000 more words by age 5 than those who don't regularly read books with a parent or caregiver."



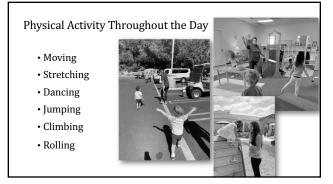
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## You are a treasured person to many young children and their families

- You value each young child and his/her uniqueness
- You respond to their needs, questions, and possibilities
- You are a language and literacy model
- You are a creative thinker and problem solver
- You design and implement amazing environments



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## This Little Light of Mine

This little light of mine – I'm gonna let it shine
This little light of mine – I'm gonna let it shine
This little light of mine – I'm gonna let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

Don't you try to blow it out – I'm gonna let it shine Don't you try to blow it out – I'm gonna let it shine Don't you try to blow it out – I'm gonna let it shine Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

Everywhere I go - I'm gonna let it shine Everywhere I go - I'm gonna let it shine Everywhere I go - I'm gonna let it shine Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

This little light of mine – I'm gonna let it shine
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Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine



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