


# LITERACY RICH CURRICULUM CHALLENGES

For a richer early literacy curriculum, are you willing to take on these challenges?

## Conversation Challenge

-  **Increase the number of conversations you have with children each day**  
With individual children, small groups and at full group time. At arrival time, mealtime, activity time, free play time, outdoor time
- ✓ **Be intentional in planning for conversation**  
Plan activities that will encourage children to talk, agree with your co-teachers to promote conversations with children, stretch children's vocabulary by using new words every day.

## Wait-Time Challenge

- ✂ **Decrease the amount of time children spend waiting**  
(by planning and preparing activities ahead, setting up classroom and routines to promote independence, using transition tricks)
- 🕒 **Increase the amount of times adults spend waiting**  
(by waiting 5 seconds for a child to speak, giving children time to finish something that has engaged their interest before moving them on to something else)