

THOUGHTFUL THURSDAYS

SCHOOL DAY CONVERSATIONS

**TIPS ON HOW TO GET
THE MOST OUT OF
ASKING ABOUT YOUR
CHILD'S SCHOOL DAY**

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OVERALL TIPS

1

ASK OPEN ENDED QUESTIONS

An open ended question can not be answered with a 'yes' or 'no' response. Start with "why?", "how?", or "what if?".

2

TALK ABOUT PROJECTS THAT THEY BRING HOME THAT DAY

Incorporating a project from your child's day can serve as a subtle reminder for what they engaged in that day.

3

IDENTIFY A SPECIFIED TIME TO TALK ABOUT THEIR DAY

By talking about their day at the same time (e.x., Dinner time) your child will predict the conversation and will continue building their conversational skills each day.

4

HAVE YOUR CHILD ASK YOU QUESTIONS

Being a model for conversational skills is an effective way for your child to also learn them.



QUESTIONS ARE KEY

INSTEAD OF:

- Asking, "What did you do today?"...
- Asking all of the questions...
- Asking "Did you play at school today?"

TRY THIS!

- Say, "I saw that picture in your bag! How did you make it?"
- Encourage your child to ask you the same or similar questions about your day!
- Ask, "Who did you play with at school today?"



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to learn about from your
child's day?

What were you able to find out
about your child's day that you
hadn't before?

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