

CONNECT TO THE CLASSROOM

Offer Prompts for Peer Interaction

During the Offer Prompts for Peer Interaction I2 video, the teacher uses narration to help the babies pay attention to and interact with each other. She points out their actions ("Look at your friend standing there") and encourages them to "talk" to each other ("Say 'Hi, Baron.'"). The teacher also praises their actions and encourages them to clap and stand together.

Practice applying the key concepts demonstrated in this activity on your own:

- drawing attention to another child's friendly actions
- consistently using children's names when narrating

When you are finished, reflect on the following questions:

1 What did you say to draw attention to another child and their actions?

2 How often did you use the child's name and narrate what they were doing?

3 When do you do this kind of activity with young children? When are other times to have this kind of interaction?

4 What could you do differently next time?

