



Help Me Sign

Helping children of all ages to communicate using signs

Benefits of Signing:

- √ Allows your child to tell you exactly what he/she wants
- √ Reduces frustration for your baby & YOU!
- √ Improves rate of intellectual development
- √ Leads to higher levels of language skills
- √ Does *NOT* delay speech
- √ Research shows that babies who sign usually *start to talk sooner* & develop *larger vocabularies* than non-signing babies
- √ Enhances bonding
- √ Improves self-esteem
- √ Signing children tend to be more interested in books
- √ Signing reinforces verbal language by adding visual & kinesthetic emphasis to auditory input
- √ Reduces biting problems associated with frustration when children are in groups
- √ It is FUN!
- √ Even if your child is *already* talking & is 18months+, teaching ASL is beneficial
- √ The effects on speech & language skills and IQ last long beyond when a child stops signing

Signing using American Sign Language can be done at home or in childcare settings.

Parents and babies/ young children will learn:

- √ The basics of American Sign Language
- √ How YOU can teach signs to your child
- √ 10+ thematic signs per week
- √ How to sign a song
- √ How to sign a book
- √ Parental signing & language strategies
- √ Developmental speech & language information
- √ Play ideas using signs

Help Me Sign offers an **Intro** class & *thematic* classes--**part I & II**. Classes are offered **weekly** or in a **workshop** format. Weekly classes are 45 minutes/week for 6-8 weeks. **Workshops** may be held on Saturdays and are 2 days, 3hours/each. Workshops are great for parents who work! Call for pricing. **Help Me Sign & Play** is a class for all age kids to practice what they've learned!

To register for a class contact:

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