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Video Specific Discussion Questions



Born to Communicate - Chapter Two **Parents are Baby's First Teacher**

Categories of questions:



Short answer questions (help participants to warm up and connect to their previous learning)

- *Name something that a baby experiences after birth that was not experienced in the womb.*
- *Do babies like to look at faces?*
- *Do babies recognize voices?*
- *Do even very new babies have ways of communicating?*
- *Do new babies respond to the emotions of those around them?*

APPLICATION

Personal experience questions (help participants apply what they have learned – make it personally relevant and meaningful)

- *Can you recall some typical ways babies you have known let you know they are in need of something?*
- *Is there a special way you make eye contact with a newborn?*
- *How does a baby you know imitate facial expressions?*
- *How have you encouraged babies to develop communication skills? What did you do? How did they respond?*
- *What kinds of ‘conversations’ do you have with a baby? When are they most enjoyable*

REFLECTION

Open-ended questions (help participants reflect and move towards deeper learning)

- *Some connections within the brain last a lifetime. What do you think this means for early interactions between parents and babies?*
- *What kind of things can parents do to encourage their baby to develop communication skills?*
- *What are some ways that parents can be encouraged to make special time for communication with their babies?*
- *Why is a rich vocabulary appropriate when you are talking to a baby?*
- *Reading and singing are great ways to interact with a baby. What do you think is happening at these times?*

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