

## Know It to Grow It

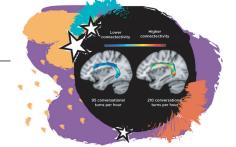
Brain Research	What are conversational turns?	
Building Brain Time	Reflection and Practice	
Fill in the blank: Children process language at speed of adults.	‡ hich finding was most surprising to you?	

Which area of the brain used in Dr. Romeo's study was activated when conversation turns were occurring?

True or false: Children who experienced more conversational turns had greater surface area on the left perisylvian cortex, and in turn, reading skills in elementary school.

Which finding is most impactful for your day-to-day work?

How will you take this research and put it into practice in your community?



## **Practice the Talking Tips**



- o What Talking Tips did you see being used?
- o What Talking Tips would you use?
- o Did you see any times when a Talking Tip could have been used, but wasn't?
- o What Talking Tips do you frequently use?

14 Talking Tips to Increase Words & Turns	Video	You
1. Talk about what you're doing and thinking.		
2. Comment on what they're doing or looking at.	0	0
3. Name things that they're interested in.	0	0
4. Get down to their level: face to face.	0	0
5. Touch, hug, hold.	0	0
6. Tune in and respond to what they look at, do, and say.	0	0
7. Wait for their response.	0	0
8. Imitate them, and add words.	0	0
9. Make faces, use gestures.	0	0
10. Take turns – don't do all the talking.	0	0
11. Repeat and add to what they say and do.	0	0
12. Follow their lead, do what interests them.	0	
13. Encourage them, be positive.		
14. Be silly! Relax and have fun!		



How might you apply these this week?