

### Develop Your Child's Problem Solving Skills

Is your child always asking questions?

Children are learning all the time, they are curious and need our support a lot. Instead of just giving them the answer to a question try some of these strategies:

## When your child asks a question support then to find the answer:

- Ask them what they think.
- Support them to look up more information.
- Help them brainstorm.

#### Reinforce the child's ideas:

• Let them know their thinking is important and valued.

### Encourage independence:

- Ask yourself does my child really need my help with this?
  Can you stand back and encourage them?
- Do they have the skills to ask for help if they need it?

# Create opportunities for children to initiate and solve their own problems:

- Support children to test out ideas and solutions.
- Follow your child's lead by going along with and supporting their ideas.









