

# 5 WAYS TO ADD HUMOUR TO YOUR SPEECH



Adding humour to your speech can make people feel calmer during your talk

## PLAYFUL WORDPLAY:

Puns and wordplay can be a simple way to get laughs. Encourage kids to think of words that have double meanings or sound similar but have different meanings. For example, "I told my cat to stop acting like a predator but it was just lion around."



## SILLY STORIES:

Share funny anecdotes or create a ridiculous story related to their topic. These stories should be short and sweet, like talking about a time they wore mismatched shoes to school and didn't notice until the end of the day.



## GENTLE TEASING:

Self-deprecating humor, where they can make light of their own quirks or harmless mishaps, can be endearing. For instance, "I tried to help mom in the kitchen, but I guess salad doesn't include jelly beans, who knew?"



## EXAGGERATION:

Exaggeration is a classic humor technique. Children can take a small truth and blow it up to ridiculous proportions, like "This homework assignment is so long, by the time I finish, I'll probably be 50!"



## FUNNY PROPS OR VISUALS:

Sometimes a wacky prop or a silly visual aid can add a layer of humor to a speech. A child could wear a goofy hat when talking about their favorite book character or hold up funny drawings to illustrate their points.



IF YOU CAN MAKE THEM SMILE, YOU'RE HALF WAY THERE!