

# More Than Words™

## Communication development in young Autistic children

The More Than Words™ Program focuses on your natural, day-to-day life with your child. You'll discover how to take everyday activities like meal time, story time and bath time and use them to help your child improve their communication and social skills.

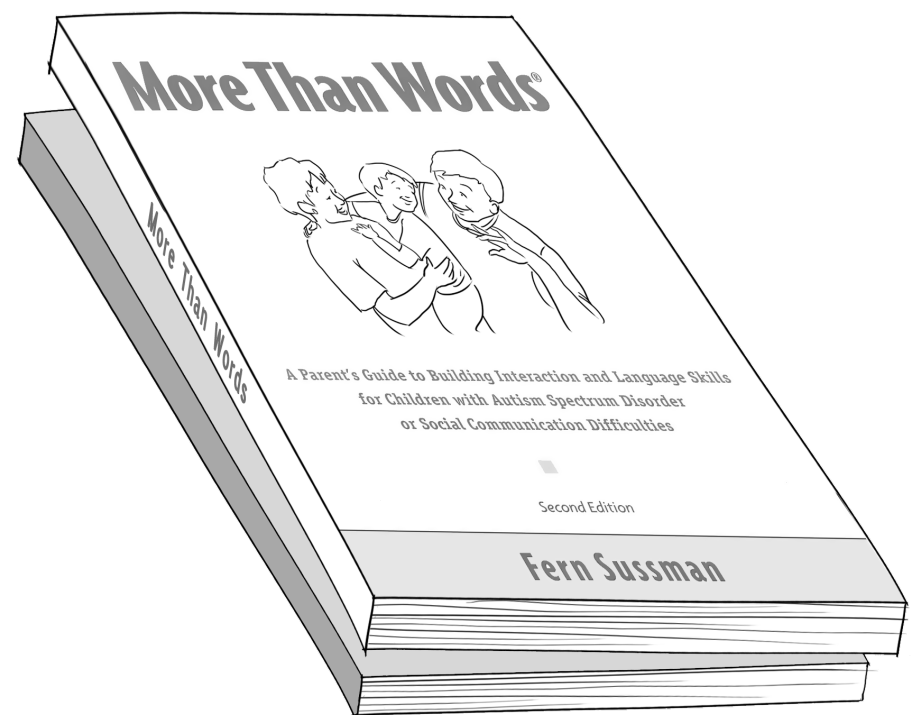
### Learning outcomes could include:

- What motivates your child to communicate
- How to use your knowledge about your child to set appropriate and realistic goals
- How to make interactions with your child last longer
- Tips for using pictures and print to help your child's understanding
- Strategies for how to talk so that your child understands you
- Strategies for developing your child's play skills
- Ways to help your child make friends

### Program overview:

Talkability is an online 13-week program and includes:

- More Than Words is an online 13 week program and includes:
- One commitment-free online orientation session on Tuesday 6 February; 7.30pm
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- One pre-program individual consultation with a Hanen speech pathologist to assess your child and set communication goals
- 8x weekly online group sessions; 2.5 hours each
- Three individual video feedback online sessions that take place between the group sessions for parents—you and your child are recorded while playing. Then you and the speech pathologist review and discuss the recording to see what's working and how you can modify strategies to help your child.



### Cost

The course cost can be claimed through the NDIS.

Group sessions will be charged under Training for carers/parents. Individual sessions are charged under Capacity Building funding for Improved Daily Living or purchased privately.

**The total cost is \$3,343.04 per person or couple.**

A minimum of 4 people is required to run the program.

### When

The program will run in Term 2 and part of Term 3 on Tuesday nights 7.30pm to 10pm AEDT/NSW time. Starting date is likely to be Tuesday 25 June 2024

### Location

This event is held online using Zoom. Instructions will be emailed to you prior to the event.

If you have accessibility needs, please advise during registration.

### Resources

To participate in this program, parents and carers must purchase an eBook manual from Amazon.com.au independently. The manual costs approximately \$59 and you will receive a link to it once the program is confirmed.

