Story Time

This game is to help your child learn to answer ‘why’ questions and understand simple reasoning i.e. working out an answer.

You will need the story pictures attached. Cut them out and sort them into different stories.

Place a sequence of pictures face down in front of your child. Turn over the first picture and talk about what is happening. Ask your child to say what he or she thinks will happen next. Encourage him or her to explain his or her answer. You may need to help your child by providing a model or leading them to the answer,

e.g. adult: ‘What will happen next?’
   child: ‘Her fall off.’
   adult: ‘Why do you think she is going to fall off?’
   child: ‘Her go really high. I fall off my swing.’
   adult: ‘That’s right, you did fall off your swing because you went too high.’

Try to encourage your child to use ‘because’ as part of his or her answer. When you have finished the sequence ask your child to predict what will happen next.

Variations:

When you are reading stories together try to ask your child questions where he or she has to work out the answers. Don’t forget to ask him or her to explain how he or she has worked out the answer.

You can also do this when you are watching TV together.
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