Mirror and Amplify Activities

Step One   **MIRROR** the Speech Device User's statement by repeating and modeling it.

Step Two   **AMPLIFY** the statement by incorporating an additional word, thus reflecting and modeling a richer version of the Speech Device User's initial expression.

Objects in a Room
Child: Chair
Adult: Chair (MIRROR it). Blue chair (AMPLIFY by adding a descriptor).

During Playtime with Toys
Child: Blocks
Adult: Blocks (MIRROR it). Stack Blocks (AMPLIFY by adding an action).

Reading a Book
Child: Dog
Adult: Dog (MIRROR it). Happy dog (AMPLIFY by adding an emotion).

For Children with a More Advanced Grasp of Language:

Expressing a Desire
Child: Want Play
Adult: I see. 'Want to play outside?' (AMPLIFY by specifying a location).

During Meal Conversations
Child: Like pizza
Adult: Great! 'Like pepperoni pizza?' (AMPLIFY by specifying a type).

While Playing Sports
Child: Kick soccer ball.
Adult: Right on! 'Kick the soccer ball into the goal? (AMPLIFY by adding a direction).