



## Picture Talks

Who, What, Where, When, Why

**Beginner:** Talk about the whos, whats, and hows of photos.

**[Tip]:** What do you see? Who is in the photo? What are they doing? How are they dressed?

**Intermediate:** Talk about where people in a photo are in relation to their surroundings.

**[Tip]:** Where was the photo taken? Indoors or outdoors? What season? Who is beside/in front of/behind the \_\_\_\_?

**Experienced:** Make guesses based on clues in the photo.

**[Tip]:** If there are people in the photo, are they happy or sad? How do you know?

**Why is this important?** Photos are great conversation starters and a fun way for children develop vocabulary in describing who and what they see.

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